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OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1866.

My Policy in Wisconsin.

In *The Madison Journal*, of the 2d, we find full particulars of the bread and butter convention held in that city the day previous. The attendance was not large, and the principal point of interest was the position taken by Mr. J. C. Hopkins, of the second district, himself a signer of the call, and in nomination as a delegate to Philadelphia. The substance of his remarks were that he was a Johnson union man, and not a democrat; that he was opposed to democrats having control of the arrangement as they were unmistakably bent upon doing; that the national union committee of Washington had merged with the democrats, and that it was nothing more or less than a democratic convention; that the party organization had fallen into the hands of extreme men; that he sincerely approved of President Johnson's measures, and believed his the only safe course,—but, after all, we can never accomplish the perfect peace and harmony of the whole land with the democratic party. If done at all it must be by hearty union men. His speech produced quite a sensation, which resulted in striking his name from the proposed delegation. Senator Doolittle addressed the meeting in the evening, but even his admitted reputation as an orator failed to attract over two or three hundred. If the president considers these little endorsements as spontaneous outbursts of the people he will be grandly mistaken.

Bread and Butter.

About twenty-five of the unterrified met in Brisbin's law office on Tuesday last, pursuant to call of the democratic state committee, and elected the following delegates to the Philadelphia convention:

AT LARGE.

Delegates.

Hon Daniel S. Norton, of Winona.
Hon. Franklin Steele, of Hennepin.
Hon. Henry M. Rice, of Ramsey.
Hon. Thomas J. Galbraith, of Scott.

Alternates.

Dr. Galloway, of Olmsted.
Charles Gilman of Stearns.
A. McCarger, of Ramsey.
Robert H. Rose, of Scott.

FIRST DISTRICT.

Delegates.

Henry C. Hoffman, of Goodhue.
M. J. Severance, of Le Sueur.
William Lee, of Ramsey.
Richard Price, of Hennepin.

Alternates.

C. F. Buck, of Winona.
James Shoemaker, of Blue Earth.
R. B. Galusha, of Ramsey.
G. D. Redfield, of Hennepin.

The Atlantic Cable is reported in working order, and messages to the amount of two and three thousand dollars per day have been received for transmission. The associated press will have two daily reports, of twenty words each, for eighty thousand dollars yearly. At this rate it will net a handsome income, estimated at eight millions, while the total cost so far has been only five millions, less than two of which were for the last and successful expedition. Just think of it. Messages sent from London at day break appearing in the New York morning papers, printed soon after midnight previous, and those at 4 and 5 o'clock p. m. coming out in the evening papers, issued at 1 and 2 o'clock. This is a great country and age truly.

A Washington dispatch to *The Chicago Tribune* says; "It is a somewhat singular fact that the freedmen's relief commission of this district last month relieved the necessities of two hundred and six white families, while the applications from freedmen numbered only one hundred and sixty-five. A large number of white persons assisted were the wives and families of deceased rebel soldiers."

The Philadelphia Press celebrated its ninth anniversary on the 1st inst., and gives a most gratifying account of its increasing prosperity. We regard it as one of the best exchanges we get, and should be glad to see its weekly in every household. Send for a copy.

John Ross, the noted Cherokee Chief,

The European War.

A four weeks' armistice has been agreed upon by Prussia, Austria, and the smaller German states, which is preparatory to a final peace, in which Prussia is conceded all her demands. The campaign has been short and terrible, and worthy of a Napoleon. Look at the record:

June 14.—Federal execution decreed by the German Diet.

June 16.—Entry of the Prussians into Leipsic, Giessen, and Cassal. Occupation of Lobou.

June 17.—Entry of the Prussian General Vogel into the Hanoverian capital.

June 18.—Occupation of Fort Wilhelm, by the Hanoverian troops. Prince William, of Hanau, made prisoner. Cavalry encounter between the Austrians and Prussians upon the Rumburg Road.

June 22.—Nixdorf occupied by 7,000 Prussians.

June 23.—Occupation of Rumburg by the Prussians.

June 24—Armistice between the Hanoverian and Prussian troops.

June 25—Action near Jungbuzlau, between the Austrians and the Prussians. The Prussian troops occupied Reichenberg, Trantenau, and Aicha, Bohemia.

June 26—Engagement near Turnau.

June 27—The army of the Crown Prince of Prussia fought the battle of Nachod. Engagement at Owswlecim. Fight between the Prussians and Hanoverians near Langensalza. Gen. Steinmetz throws back the Austrian corps d'armee (Ramming) upon Josephstadt. Engagement of the same corps with the sixth and eighth Austrian corps, under the Archduke Leopold.

June 28—Action near Traitenau. The troops of Prince Frederick Charles engaged near Munchengratz.

June 29—The Hanoverian army surrendered at discretion. Capture of Gitschin by the Prussian army.

June 30—Actions at Kort, near Turnau, and at Chalkowitz, between Kalitz and Konisof. An Austrian army corps under General Clam Gallas compelled to retire upon Konniggratz.

July 1—Action at Gitschin.

July 2—Arrival of King William at Gitchin. Junction of the Crown Prince's army with that of Prince Frederick Charles.

July 3—The battle of Sadowa.

July 7—The Ella crossed.

July 16—Battle before Olmutz.

July 22—Prussians force a great battle before Vienna.

July 23—Armistice of five days.

July 18—Peace declared.

John Turner, of *The Manston Star*, in his issue of the 2d, discourseth thusly:

"We claim the indulgence of our subscribers if they discover anything wrong, or a lack of anything in this issue. We hav'nt time to look at the paper—don't care about doing so. We are otherwise engaged—are employed in better business—a young primer came to town this morning, and our wife says it is ours. Don't know what we shall name him, but one thing is certain it will not be Andy Johnson, nor Morning Glory."

John, we congratulate you. It is probably all owing to your late trip up to Minnesota. Come again, won't you?

The republican district convention for the first congressional district has been called to meet on Thursday, the 20th of September, for the nomination of a candidate in congress in place of the Hon. Wm. Windom, the present able and efficient incumbent.

By a law enacted in 1857, the government has to pay a subsidy of $80,000 a year to the Atlantic cable company.

Frederick Hudson, of *The Herald*, is writing a history of the Associated Press, which will be looked for with interest.

State News.

The state teachers' association holds its annual meeting at Faribault on the 29th and 30th inst.

T. M. Perry, esq., senior editor of *The St. Peter Advertiser*, died in that city on the 26th ult, at the age of sixty-six years. He was buried the day following with Masonic honors.

Last week no less than two hundred Swedes passed through this town, on their way to Cambridge. They all seemed to be well supplied with money. Our merchants were very busy attending to their many wants.—*Anoka Union.*

A little melee occurred up street last Thursday afternoon near the Nicollet House between one of the sons of Erin and a descendant of Ham, in which the colored individual came out first best. The Irishman thought it very ungrateful for a crowd to stand by and "let a d——n nagur whip a white (?) man."—*Minneapolis Chronicle.*

The tenth volume of *The Mantorville Express* commences with its issue of July 27th. Since the death of Mr. J. E. Bancroft it has been conducted by his wife with much industry and ability. Truly the mantle has fallen

Miscellaneous Items.

Mexican advices state that a revolution has been attempted in the city of Mexico, but that the revolutionists were arrested and banished to Yucatan.

A destructive fire occurred at Oil City, by which over one hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of property was destroyed.

A Kansas paper says: "Two men of the horse-thieving fraternity danced in the air on Lightning Creek, one day last week. They immediately retired to a hole in the ground after their exercise."

The planting of cotton in Illinois is, thus far, a success. Accounts from that state say that the crops are promising. One planter has two hundred acres under cultivation.

The Lafayette (La.) *Courier* says an estimable lady, a witness in court the other day, testified that she was sixteen years of age, had been twice married, and was the mother of two children.

Heirs of deceased soldiers, entering claims for the extra bounty allowed by the new law, should make their applications to the second auditor of the treasury. All others should apply to the paymaster general's department.

A Parisian has conceived the notion of opening an exhibition, at ten centimes a head, to show a million of money spread out in gold pieces. He thinks he will have a rush of visitors, as the curiosity to know what a million is like is universal.

His Prussian Majesty, it is understood, is about to adopt a new coat of arms fitted to his enlarged body politic. It will consist of a double-headed vulture argent, on a field azure, with the legend *Rem Acu Tetigi*—"I have pricked this Austrian bubble with a needle."

The printing bureau of the treasury department is now printing ten millions of stamps of different denominations for beer barrels, as required by a recently passed law. It is supposed that this provision will materially prevent frauds on the internal revenue.

It was discovered at 4:20, p. m., that no provision had been made for the pay of the house chaplain. A bill was proposed, passed by the house and senate, and approved by the president in twelve minutes, probably the quickest legislation ever enacted by congress.

A traveler in Montana relates that in some of the streams at the source of large rivers the speckled trout are so ravenous that they will bite at anything. He says they followed him into the woods and bit at the spurs on his boots as he rode away. Fishy story, that.

The Washington correspondent of *The New York Express* says that President Johnson and Secretary Seward will leave Washington on the 27th inst. to attend the laying of the corner stone of the Douglas Monument which will take place about the first of September. Perhaps one or two other members of the cabinet will accompany them.

The commissioner of internal revenue has had occasion to call attention to the fact that the new law makes the word money to include checks, drafts, and other instruments given for the payment of money, and therefore the receipts for checks, drafts, etc., are to be stamped the same as if given for money.

Advices from Nebraska City state that over seven hundred wagons belonging to the Latter Day Saints have arrived during the past week from Great Salt Lake, and prominent men state that the emigration from Europe to Utah this season will exceed any two years since the organization of the territory.

A young girl belonging to one of the first families of Chicago, being jealous of the attentions paid to an elder sister by a gentleman acquaintance, procured a stick of nitrate of silver, and dissolved it in her sister's wash pitcher. The result is that the latter has turned black, and callers are told that she is ill of a contagious fever. She will grow white again in time.

The generals of the regular army now rank in the order of the names in the following list; general, Ulysses S. Grant; lieutenant-general, William T. Sherman; major-generals, Henry W. Halleck, Geo. G. Meade, Philip H. Sheridan, George H. Thomas, Winfield S. Hancock; brigadier-generals, Irwin McDowell, William S. Rosecrans, Phillip St. George Cooke, John Pope, Joseph Hooker, John M. Schofield, Oliver O. Howard, Alfred H. Terry, E. O. C. Ord.

A list of the clerks in the departments is being made out preparatory to the regular political assessment, which is to be five per cent on their salaries, collected in July, August, and September. Those who may refuse to pay this tax have the authority of the President in the case of the New Hampshire treasury clerk, who was promoted last fall for peremptorily and publicly branding the scheme as an outrage, for which act Mr. Johnson complimented him in a special order and directed his promotion.—*Wash. Cor. Tribune.*

Gen. Sheridan telegraphs Gen. Grant to-day that the late riot in New Orleans was not the spontaneous outbreak of an ordinary mob, but a pre-arranged plan of the rebels to slaughter the leading union men of the state, and there is evidence that this plan was concerted weeks ago. The associated press despatches from New Orleans are glaringly false, and are dictated by the rebel state officials themselves. Gen. Sheridan expresses the opinion that the riot is but the commencement of a scheme to rid Louisiana of union men,

The New Orleans Massacre; Concerted Plan to Murder Unionists.

The following dispatch t *The Chicago Tribune* gives the sarest and saddest account yet publied of the atrocious massacre at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, July 30.

The massacre is over for the present. The military, headed by Gen. Baird in person, at 4.30 o'clock p. m., took possession of Canal Street and cleared the street between Dryles and St. Charles, also the two latr streets to Common. A regiment and a battery, headed by a band, are, while I write, parading the city. Sheran has not arrived, while he is most anxiously looked for. There is a general indignation among union men, even the most moderate, at Gen. Baird, whose dilatoriness has sacrificed so much life.

The outbreak is now understood to have been a concerted plan on the part of rebels, among whom the President's dispatch, that the military would sustain the courts against the convention, was known yesterday morning. At the tap of a fire bell the rioters left their business having lately purchased revolvers, to meet and be led by the police, who were also armed to the teeth. All rushed toward the convention, breaking down the fences on Baronne Street in the rear of the capital, which was surranded by a force of police. They then ran into the building, and, while the rowd outside were firing into the winows, climbed the stairs inside, their leader shouting "rally, boys, rally!" and discharged their pistols into the representative hall, where there were at the time none but conventioners—it being during the recess—within the railing, and about seventy-five negroes in the lobby, all of whom in the hall prostrted themselves to escape the shots. As soon as the pistols of the police were emptied the besieged rose and drove out the assailants with chairs, at the same time barricading the doors.

Then R. King Cutler called upon those who had arms to leave the hall, and Capt. Burk, the gallant chief of police deposed by Ionroe, went out and fought his way back to Baronne Street, escaping with a shot in the side. The fury of the besiegers increased. The barricade was broken, and pistols again discharged. Then Rev. Mr. Horton, ex-army chaplain who had made the prayer at the opening of the convention, advanced to the door, and, showing a white handkerchief, asked himself and the rest to surrender. He was fired upon, hit by the shot in the forehead, then seized and beaten till he was insensible by the mob and police. One after another the members of the convention in the hall waved their handkerchiefs, protested they were unarmed and wished to surrender, yet not a single arrest was made in the hall, but each man as he came out, hoping to escape the certain fate that threatened himself if he remained, was seized and brutally handled by the police.

Poor Dostic plead for his life. He was a union exile, but, by his kind treatment to rebel families in the absence of their protectors, had endeared himself to many even of his political enemies.

Besides the sufferers I have named in a former dispatch, Dr. Hine was shot in the head and stabbed in the side. I can yet give you no estimate of the number killed and wounded, which, though the riot lasted scarce three hours, and seemed to be confined to a few streets, must put the Memphis affair in the shade.

The mayor has issued a proclamation declaring the riots to have been precipitated by the revolutionary faction, and calling on citizens to enroll themselves as extra police. At half-past six, five hundred had enrolled, and the countersign given out for the night is "General Hardee."

Amongst recent archæological discoveries is that of a Scandinavian heath-brewery in Ireland. The early Scandinavian settlers in Ireland are known to have brewed a beverage from heath. Recently a farmer living near Dumans way resolved to dig out of the ground what he conceived to be an old log or stump which had frequently impeded his ploughing operations. He set a gang of laborers to work, when it was soon discovered that the obstruction consisted of portions of an extensive building, about which there was no tradition or record in the neighborhood. Some well-shaped beams and triangles of oak, the old flooring, a well-preserved mill-stone, a small stick covered with cabalastic figures, and other interesting remains were discovered, and the local antiquarians declare that the entire structure had been an old Danish heath-brewery. Another interesting discovery has been made nearer home, within the last few days. While some workmen were excavating for a drain near the Udimore crossing, in the suburbs of Rye, they came upon what proved to be the deck of a vessel made of English oak, and of larger construction than are built at that port in the present day. This appears to confirm the tradition that the town was at one period nearly surrounded by the sea. Indeed from Mackey's "Journey through England," published in 1724, it appears that, owing to "the negligence and laziness of the inhabitants, and to the selfishness of the neighboring gentry, who had gained from the sea and enclosed a considerable part of the harbor," the bar of the beach was accumulating at its entrance, a fact which Defoe has already placed on record in his "Tour through Great Britian," published in the same year.

The receipts from internal revenues on Thursday amounted to $2,203,047.

Atmospheric Resistance to Railroad Trains.

At a meeting of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the atmospheric resistance to railroad trains was shown. A set of cars made of pasteboard, with the engine of the usual form and shape, was placed upon a horizontally revolving cam, attached to a vertical shaft, driven round by the force of a given weight; the time of the revolutions was measured by an instrument beating seconds. Then the proposed improved form of car and engine (which improvement consisted in the conical shape given to the front part of the engine, same shape also to the rear end of the last car, spaces between the cars covered with canvass, with some other lesser changes from the common form, was placed upon the same rotating cam. The result showed, with the same power applied, and same weight of cars and engine, a saving of twenty-five per cent. of running expense—certainly a most important item for railroad directors and stockholders to inquire into. The same has also been tried by the same parties with hand cars, upon some of the roads in Massachusetts, with equally favorable results.

True Cheerfulness.

Along with humility we should cultivate cheerfulness. Humility has no connection with pensive melancholy or timorous dejection. While the truly humble guard against the distraction of all violent passions and inordinate cares, they cherish a cheerful disposition of mind. There cannot, indeed, be genuine cheerfulness without the approbation of our own heart. While, however, we pay a sacred regard to conscience, it must be enlightened and directed by reason and revelation. And happy are the individuals who can say, "Our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that, in simplicity and godly sincerity, we have had our conversation in the world." An approving mind will contribute greatly to cheerfulness, and that equanimity which results from it, from trust in God, and from the hope of a blessed immorality, is equally remote from our dissatisfaction, desponding melancholy, and frivolous hilarity. It smooths our path and sweetness our cup, rendering duty easy and affliction light.

The Detroit Advertiser is sponsor for the following: "About one year ago, one of our business men visited New York city, and while there ordered a half dozen *cartes de visite* of himself, which he distributed among his friends in that place. A few days ago he was surprised to find one of these 'counterfeit resemblances' in possession of the family cook. An investigation into the matter disclosed the fact that the had received it from a fortune teller in New York city, who advertised so forward a correct likeness of any young lady's future husband, all for the sum of fifty cents, which amount the cook had remitted, according to the advertisement, and received her employer's likeness in return." The fortune-teller had evidently bought up the old pictures of some photographer.

An English paper prints the following: "Mr. Fuster proposes to cure all cases of consumption by the administration of raw meat and spirits. Although his method of treatment has not been long employed by the continental physicians, considerable testimony has been borne to the great success which has attended its employment. The new treatment has now been tried satisfactorily in two thousand cases of phihisis. The raw meat is reduced to a pulp, mixed with sugar to conceal its unpleasant flavor, and administered in doses of one hundred to three hundred grammes per day. The alcohol (of the strength of twenty degrees Baume) is given in doses of one hundred grammes per day."

A scientific way of lighting pipes and cigars has been recently introduced in Paris under the name of *poudre de feu*. It consists of pyrophorus, which is preserved in a small tin case with narrow orifice. When a little of this black powder is poured out on the end of a cigar, or on the tobacco in a pipe stem, and then gently breathed upon it becomes incandescent, and is in condition to light said pipe or cigar. What next? Why, there are little tubes sold containing pellets of potassium, and they are recommended to the juvenile Parisians as a means of forming splendid Gregorian fireworks on any convenient piece of water! Could Sir H. Davy see this he would be as much astonished as we should in seeing him.

The Italian government has given orders for the manufacture of cuirasses of aluminum for their cavalry regiments. A series of experiments made under various conditions demonstrate that a cuirass of this metal, while possessing the great advantage of being as light as a coat, cannot be pierced by a musket ball at the distance of forty paces, nor by the thrust of a bayonet. The war, however, having come to a close, so far as Victor Emmanuel is concerned, we presume he will not spend his money on aluminum cuirasses.

There are in the United States about nine hundred railroad corporations that operate steam power roads. Their joint length is estimated at thirty-two thousand miles, and their cost in the aggregate is $1,280,000,000—equal to an average of $40,000 for each mile.

The Union Pacific Railroad is now finished to within thirty-one miles of Fort Kearney, which point will be reached about the first of September.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LOST.—IN THIS CITY ON OR ABOUT July 28th, 1866, a small black memorandum book, much worn, and of no value to any except the owner. Among other papers it contained bills in favor of H. H. Pringle and H. Butturff. The finder will confer a favor by leaving it at this office.
CHAS. RICHTER.
Hastings, Aug. 3, 1866. 17-2w

INDELIBLE STAMPING.

Mrs. J. R. Mars

has just received some new and beautiful designs for stencil work. This style of ornamenting dresses and skirts is becoming very popular among the ladies. as the flowers and ornaments can be stamped indelibly on cloth in handsome colors, Rooms on Bailey Street, fronting market square.
Hastings, Aug. 7th, 1866. 17—tf

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Dakota—ss.
The state of Minnesota to Nathan Jones, defendant.
You are hereby summoned to be and appear before the undersigned, one of the justices of the peace in and for said county, on the fourth day of September, a. d. 1866, at one o'clock in the afternoon at my office in the city of Hastings, in said county, to answer to Francis B. Etheridge in a civil action. Should you fail to appear at the time and place aforesaid judgment will be rendered against you upon the evidence adduced by said Francis B. Etheridge for such sum as he shall show himself entitled to.
Given under my hand this 6th day of August, a. d. 1866.
ANDREW P. FITCH,
17-3w Justice of the Peace.

CHAS. SCHROTH. JOHN PELLER.
SCHROTH & PELLER,
Dealers in
All kinds of Leather,
BELTINGS, FINDINGS,
SADLER AND SHOEMAKER'S TOOLS, ETC.
Our goods are bought direct from manufacturers, and will be sold at close figures for cash.
Orders solicited, which will be promptly and carefully attended to.
Cash paid for hides and pelts. 17—tf

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
THE NORTH AMERICAN
PRIZE CONCERT
will positively be given at
WABASH AVENUE RINK, CHICAGO, ILL., AUG. 22, 1866.
The first prize concert to be given in the United States. No postponement.
Two hundred and fifty thousand valuable prices, valued at Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, will be presented to ticket holders, including
$100.000 In Greenbacks.
The time rapidly approaches, and the books will be closed the 22d day of August.
With the help of our numerous agents, located all over the United States, we have reason to believe that every ticket will be sold before the day designated.
Number of tickets issued, 500,000. Price $1.00 each.
This is the greatest inducement ever offered to the people of the United States,
EVERY OTHER TICKET DRAWS A PRIZE.

1 Gift in Greenbacks			$30,000
1 do	do		10,000
1 do	do		5,000
1 do	do		4,000
1 do	do		3,000
1 do	do		2,000
20 do	do	$1,000 each	20,000
20 do	do	500 do	10,000
20 do	do	100 do	2,000
20 do	do	50 do	1,000
800 do	do	10 do	8,000
1,000 do	do	5 do	5,000
1 do	residence in Chicago		5,000
10 do	city lots in Chicago, $600 each		6,000
40 do	pianos, $500 each		20,000
20 do	melodeons, $150 each		3,000
100 do	family Bibles, $20 each		2,000
200 do	gold watches, $150 each		30,000
200 do	do do $100 each		20,000
200 do	American silver watches, $65 each		13,000
300 do	lever hunting silver watches, $3 each		12,000
1,000 set silver plated tea spoons, $3 each			3,000
1,000 call bells, $3 each			3,000
1,000 silver plated fruit knives, $2 each			2,000
2,000 gold pens in boxes, $400 each			8,000
2,000 photograph albums, $5 each			10,000
2,000 gold pen holders, $5 each			10,000
238,043 gifts, worth			238,043

The drawing will take place after the concert, where 20,000 persons can witness it. A committee will be appointed by the audience to take charge of the same.
All agents and purchasers will be supplied with a correct list of the drawing as soon as published.
Tickets are for sale at the principal news agencies, hotels, and book stores, and at our office, 105 Randolph Street. Price of tickets one dollar each, sent by mail on receipt of price and three cent stamp for return postage.
Great inducements are offered to agents, who are wanted everywhere. Write for our terms to agents at once.
SPECIAL TERMS OR CLUB RATES.

5 tickets to one address for	$4 50
10 " " " "	9 00
20 " " " "	17 50
30 " " " "	26 25
40 " " " "	33 00
50 " " " "	43 51

In every case send the name of each subscriber and their post office address with town, county, and state in full. Money by draft, post office order, express, or in registered letters, may be sent at our risk.
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A. A. KELLEY & Co.,
105 Randolph Street, Chicago.
P. O. DRAWER, 1121. 17-4w

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHARLES B. LOWELL.
Civil Engineer, and County Surveyor of Dakota County. Office in Gardner's stone block, corner Sibley Street and Levee.
Hastings, March 20, 1865. 51—tf

ANDREW P. FITCH,
Justice of the Peace,
and conveyancer. Office on Second Street, first door west of Union Block.
Hastings, April 24, 1866. 2-tf

NOTICE.—SEALED PROPOSALS WILL be received by the city council until Saturday evening, Aug. 11th, 1866, at 8 o'clock, for painting the fence around the Public Square. Refer to street committee for necessary information concerning the same.
JOHN A. MORTON, City Clerk.
Hastings, July 28, 1866. 16—2w

JUSTICE BLANKS.—WE HAVE PRINTed from neat and convenient forms the following Justice Blanks, which we offer for sale by the dozen or hundred:
SUMMONS, SUPÆNAS, EXECUTIONS.
Orders by mail carefully filled.
Address THE CONSERVER, Hastings.
7-tf

SALTZ & WEYDT,
Painters and Glaziers.
Painting and Graining, in all its branches, promptly and neatly executed. Orders from the country attended to on short notice. Shop corner of Fifth and Vermillion Streets.
Hastings, June 4, 1866. 8-tf

J. DUFOUR.
Retail in
Wines and Liquors,
Cogniac, Champagne, Claret, Sherry, Port, Rum, Brandy, Gin, Orange Bitters, Bourbon, Rye, Monongahela, etc. All kinds of bottled goods always on hand. Second Street, nearly opposite Tremont House.
Hastings, May 29, 1866. 7-1y

ENNIS & ROBINSON,
Land Agents,
and dealers in real estate. Will buy and sell lands, pay taxes, etc., in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Missouri. Improved farms and pine lands for sale. Terms made known upon application, either by letter or at their office in Exchange Block, on Second Street.
J. A. ENNIS. ELI ROBINSON.
Hastings, Nov. 13, 1865. 31-tf

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Dakota—ss. District court. First judicial district.
[50 cents internal revenue stamp.]
Joshua Blackmore against Eliza Blackmore.
The state of Minnesota to the above named defendant, Eliza Blackmore:
You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in this action which complaint is filed with the clerk of the district court of Dakota County, in his office, in said county and state, and serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint upon the subscriber at his office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state aforesaid, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in this complaint.
Dated, June 28th, 1866.
L. VAN SLYCK, Atty. for plff.,
12-6w Hastings, Minn.

THE
ÆTNA
AND THE
PORTLAND FIRE.
Ætna Insurance Company,
HARTFORD, CONN.
ASSETS, JULY 1ST, 1866.

Cash on hand in bank and with agents	$257,329 69
United States stock	812,277 25
Real estate, unincumbered	99,359 05
State stock	407,690 00
New York bank stocks	734,170 00
Hartford bank stocks	270,810 00
Miscellaneous bank stocks	129,000 00
Railroad stocks, etc	273,067 50
Mortgage bonds, city, county, & R. R.	1,011,136 66
Total	$4,075,859 55

LIABILITIES.

Losses unadjusted and not due	$221,236 35

Net, $3,854,591 20.

Income for last year (net)	$2,933,399 94
or a daily income of say $9,360.	
Losses and expenses for same time	$2,541,294 39
Total losses paid in forty-seven years	$19,127,410 56
viz. Fire, $17,243,009.99. Inland, $1,884,400.57.	
Government and state taxes paid	$179,178 34

LOSS BY PORTLAND FIRE.
JULY 4TH.
The total amount covered by Ætna policies on property destroyed or damaged is $206,854, on which salvage will be about 5 per cent. Our total loss will not vary much from $200,000, and is being promptly adjusted and paid. This sum is 5 per cent. upon the assets, a figure but slightly exceeding our government and state taxes paid last year, or a proportion equal to a $5000 loss for a company of $100,000 assets.
The necessity for insurance and the value of wealthy, strong corporations, is forcibly illustrated by this fire. Several weak insurance companies are destroyed. Portland has a population of 35,000;—was handsomely built, mostly fine brick or stone structures—protected and screened with upwards of 3000 shade trees—bounded on three sides by water—indeed, literally, almost rising from the ocean—and with a good steam fire department—yet it has $10,000,000 of property consumed in a few hours—upon a holiday when its people are least occupied—from the very insignificant cause of a contemptible fire cracker.
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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the First National Bank.

Miscellaneous Items.

The reduction in the public debt during the months of June and July amounted to $27,000,000.

The wife of William Cullen Bryant died at her residence on Long Island, on the 28th ult., in her 70th year.

The wigwam for the Philadelphia convention approaches completion. It is situated in front of Girard College, and will accommodate fifteen hundred delegates and nine thousand spectators.

It is believed that the President has signed all the bills presented to him, with the exception of that for the admission of Nebraska, which has, therefore, failed to become a law.

A very adroit forgery was practiced on the navy department a few days since, by which a scoundrel, representing himself to be Purser Allen, obtained $50,000 from the First National Bank of Philadelphia.

Two lovers in St. Louis undertook to commit suicide because the paternal relative of the girl was hard hearted. The girl succeeded—the boy didn't, but promised to do the job over in a few days.

The Hon. Samuel D. Hastings, so long state treasurer of Wisconsin, is about to go to California on a lecturing tour for the cause of temperance. He has long been known as an earnest devotee to that noble cause.

Speaking of the death of Wm. Patterson, one of the defenders of Baltimore in 1814, a western paper profanely says: "It is to be feared that it will never be ascertained who struck the venerable gentleman."

Proctor's Cave, recently discovered about three miles from the celebrated Mammoth Cave, is said to surpass the latter in extent, grandeur, and the beauty of the mineral formations. Prof. Wright, of Louisville, is making a thorough exploration of this subterranean wonder.

A convention of officers and directors of the fire insurance companies of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin is called to meet at Freeport on the 15th day of August, to interchange opinions and take such action as may be deemed for the best interests of western underwriters.

The total amount of taxes which the city of New York will have to raise this year, for state, county, and city purposes, foots up $18,178,249 71. About $16,500,000 of this sum must be raised by direct taxation, the balance is payable from the general fund. The total valuation of property in the state of New York is $1,550,879,685. Of this amount, $622,375,040 is fixed in the city of New York; or about forty per cent of the whole.

Austin Brett, postmaster at Hartsville, Mass., while out in the field recently, saw a hawk and a crow engaged in deadly combat high up in the air. The hawk had something resembling a whip in its beak, which it was compelled to drop in the conflict, and, upon going to the place where it fell, Mr. Brett found that it was a rattlesnake four and one-half feet long, with seven rattles. The snake was not dead when it fell, but its head was nearly eaten off.

A tremendous freshet has occurred in the Kentucky River, its banks being overflowed, and in may places the crops, fences, and even trees have been carried away by its mighty current. In Owen County the residence of Mr. Noel was swept away in the night, the house containing Mr. Noel and all his family, consisting of nine persons, who were drowned, no one surviving to tell the sad tale.

Further researches into the counterfeiters' cave, discovered near Memphis on the 25th ult., discloses a much larger amount of currency than was anticipated. In addition to the articles previously mentioned were found $15,400 U. S. $100 compound interest notes, 5 and 10-cent revenue stamps, die found, with a large amount of currency named before. The total amount valuables, including both stamps and bills, is estimated at $150,000, and all were of splendid workmanship, appearing like genuine, more so, probably, than any other bills ever made.

The La Crosse Democrat is responsible for the following: A subscriber at Ettrick, Wis., narrates a singular freak of lightning occurring during a recent thunderstorm in that vicinity. Not far distant from his house is a marsh, which has always been very wet and soft. The lightning struck in it, and ploughed a channel through it nearly two miles in length, from three to six feet in depth, and from one rod to four in width. A portion of the marsh, owned by A. Byrnes and T. Elwood, was completely turned over, the sods being rolled and twisted into all kinds of fantastical shapes. By this extraordinary electrical ploughing a valuable discovery was made, the revealing of an immense peat bed about five feet in thickness, pronounced by good judges equal to the best Irish turf.

A statement of the case of Mr. A. B. Sloanaker, nominated for commissioner of internal revenue at Philadelphia, will be instructive to Johnson politicians who are anxious for office. He presented his wax works to the president March 31st, was appointed collector April 18th, his nomination was favorably reported from the finance committee May 10th, a motion was entered to reconsider May 15th, the reconsideration was carried June 21st. He was confirmed a second time July 5th. the confirmation was again reconsidered July 8th, he was rejected July 10th, a reconsideration was made July 12th. He attempted to check newspaper comment by having a correspondent beaten July 17th, and finally on July 26th the motion to reconsider was lost and the rejection finally agreed to by a vote of twenty-eight to five.

Worth Her Weight in Gold.

"Thank fate! I shall never be the prey of a fortune hunter!"

As Sally Beauclerc uttered these words she threw herself back upon the sofa, and tossed her handsome head with a light laugh.

"Your fortune is your face," rejoined her companion, as he gazed admiringly on her fine features. Sally opened her large eyes in astonishment.

"A compliment from you, Tom!" she exclaimed.

The gentleman colored. "I know I am not much given to pretty speeches, but *you* know, Sally, that I admire you all the same."

To tell the truth, Tom Middleton had for a long time loved Miss Beauclerc with all the strength of an earnest and constant nature; but he was very diffident; he had shrunk from making known his attachment, fearing Sally's ridicule, though had he been more confident of himself he might have read long ago a secret that Sally's eyes took little pains to conceal. But Tom never imagined how desirable a fellow he was in himself, and knowing that he had no great fortune to bestow, he did not venture to offer his hand to the daughter of Senator Beauclerc and the reigning belle of the city. Sally was one of a large family, it is true, and portionless, but her father's position and her own beauty made Tom imagine her to be far removed from him. Now, he only looked hurt when she thus playfully sneered at his small compliment, and, turning away to the window, did not catch the tender look that stole over Sally's handsome features.

"Well, what is the weather?" she asked after a moment, as he still stood gazing out into the night.

"It is beautiful moonlight, and I think I had better go."

"Go! Oh, no, Tom! Why this is the last time I shall see you for ever so long."

"And will you care?" he asked, as he came again to her side.

Sally blushed. "Of course I shall care, Tom."

"No, Sally, to-morrow you are going to Washington. You will be a belle there, as you are everywhere, and you will soon forget me."

"No, indeed, Tom!" she replied earnestly. "Among all those strange faces, and people I don't care anything about, I shall long to see my old friends."

"But not me. You won't care much whether I am among the number or not."

"Yes, I shall."

Tom was a fool where women were concerned, or he would have known what those words in that soft, low tone meant. As it was, a wild hope did spring up in his heart, but when he looked again at that beautiful woman it died away. "I am not brilliant enough for her," he thought; but he plucked up sufficient courage to put out his hand and take one of hers.

"You are very kind, Sally," he said. "I shall come on to Washington by and by and then I shall know how sincere your words are."

Sally's cheeks burnt; but at that moment the door opened. Tom dropped her hand, as one of the numerous younger sisters came in, and the golden opportunity passed away, for they were not alone together again that evening.

On that very same night, nearly a thousand miles away, two gentleman were speaking of this same young lady. They were travelers, who had accidentally met on board a steamer on Lake Erie. They were total strangers, and were ignorant even of each other's names, but had fallen into a chat as they strolled on deck, under the rays of the full moon.

"I never was so far from land before in my life," said the elder of the two, a fine-looking man of perhaps thirty-five.

"Indeed!" exclaimed his companion, a handsome, city-bred looking gentleman. "May I ask where you are from, that your sea experience has been so limited?"

"From the interior of North Carolina."

"Ah!" cried the stranger, and his cold features lit up into sudden interest. "Then, perhaps you know the Beauclercs?"

"Very well; indeed, they are old friends of mine."

"And Miss Beauclerc, you know her?"

"Certainly."

"I hear she is very handsome."

"Yes; do you know her?"

"No, I have merely heard of her; but I expect to meet her in Washington this winter. She is the oldest daughter, is she not?"

"Yes."

"And is Senator Beauclerc a man of wealth?"

"Yes; that is he has a very fine estate."

"Miss Sally is the daughter of the first marriage, is she not?

"Yes, and a noble girl. Why she is worth half a million in herself alone," exclaimed the North Carolinan, enthusiastically.

His companion started a little at the words, but changed the conversation to other subjects, and before very long the two gentlemen parted for the night, still in ignorance of each other's names. They did not meet again, but in the morning exchanged merely a distant bow as they left the boat in opposite directions.

The weeks passed on, and Sally Beauclerc was established with her parents at Willard's Hotel, in Washington. As Middleton had predicted, her beauty and talents drew around her a circle of admirers, and before long she was established as one of the reigning belles of Washington.

This admiration and adulation which she received Sally found more intoxicating and delightful than she had imagined. It was very pleasant to be the beauty of every ball room, and to be constantly surrounded by a circle of adorers. The idea of returning to the humdrum life of home was not always pleasant to her, and she sometimes felt half inclined to accept some of the brilliant offers that were made to her. She had been a good deal put out, too, with Tom for not speaking before she came away. Sometimes she was half inclined to doubt his love for her, and although his earnest eyes haunted her with their wistful look of affection, she had more than one serious thought of trying to banish his remembrance, and marry, as so many others around her did, for money rather than love.

Most prominent among her sworn admirers was Mr. Charlton Murray, of New York. Handsome, distinguished looking, and reputed to be of great wealth, he seemed to be a match not to be despised. Since the moment of his first introduction to Sally he had devoted himself to her most persistently. Every day a bouquet of fresh flowers came to her room, with his compliments; every morning he hung over her chair; every evening he was ready to attend her at balls and receptions.

Sally, to tell the truth, was very well pleased with his admiration—he understood so well how to play the agreeable, he was so handsome and thoroughbred! He had already made his proposal in form, and Sally was listening to his earnest pleading, as they sat half hidden from observation in one of the deep windows of the hotel parlor.

"Pray, Miss Sally, think favorably of my suit. My hopes of happiness, my future life, depends on your reply."

The words were earnest, the tone impassioned. Sally's cheeks burned as she hesitated for a reply; I have known you for so short a time," she faltered.

"What is that?" You have known me for five weeks, and during that time have seen me more frequently than you would under different circumstances in a whole year. I have known you long enough to love you madly, distractedly love you! And you have known me long enough to bid me at least hope." She did not reply, and he bent towards her, taking her hand in his eagerness. "Sally, my dearest Sally."

His words and actions recalled her to her position, and she drew back. "You forgot where you are, Mr. Murray!" At that moment she caught sight of a gentleman who was talking with her father. There is an old friend of mine. I must go and speak to him." And she sprung up without other reply to the empassioned suitor. Murray looked after her with a smile of triumph. He had little doubt of his ultimate success.

"Mr. Trumbull, how do you do!" cried Sally as she came forward.

"Miss Sally, I am glad to see you again," exclaimed the gentleman, "Washington dissipation has not spoiled you I see; you are more blooming than ever."

Sally laughed and blushed. "Come, now, pa, don't you bore Mr. Trumbull with politics, but leave him to talk with me for awhile, and tell me how every one is at home."

Senator Beauclerc, after a few more words, turned away, and Sally and her old friend sat down side by side. Mr. Trumbull had married one of her schoolmates, and she regarded him almost as a brother.

"Well, Miss Sally, tell me about your beaus. Whose heart have you broken last?"

Involuntarily Sally glanced toward Murray, who stood in the window, regarding her with jealous eyes. "Nobody's," she replied lightly; but Mr. Trumbull's look followed hers.

"Why, who is that fellow who is watching you so earnestly?" he exclaimed with a start.

"Mr. Murray, of New York, if you mean the young gentleman in the window."

"It is the very man I saw last fall and spoke to him of you," said Mr. Trumbull. "Has he been making love to you?"

"What did he say about me?" said Sally, ignoring his last words.

"He did not say much; he asked a great many questions about you. But say, has he proposed to you?"

"Never mind whether he has or not, but tell me what he said," urged Sally, eagerly.

"He asked if your father was rich for one thing."

"Did he? And what did you say?"

"I said yes."

"And what else? Tell me all about it," she cried, imperiously.

Mr. Trumbull laughed. "I told him you are worth half a million of dollars," he said.

Sally's brow contracted and her eyes flashed. "You did. Why, Mr. Trumbull, why did you say that?"

"I meant you was such a fine girl you was worth it; and really, Miss Sally, I think it was to low an estimate. I ought to have said two millions.

Sally laughed. "Oh, that is so funny! And do you suppose he believed it?"

"Certainly. And so he has been courting you?" Mr. Trumbull said, shrewdly.

"Perhaps so; but are you sure he is the same man?"

"I think he is, but a question will soon set that at rest."

Sally started up in her impulsive manner. "Come, I will introduce you, and then I shall know the truth of this extraordinary story."

Mr. Trumbull would have remonstrated, but she was half across the room before he could interfere. Murray started forward with pleasure when he saw her approaching.

"Here is an old friend of mine, who thinks he has seen you before," she said. "Mr. Trumbull, Mr. Murray."

The gentlemen shook hands, and Mr. Trumbull said; "I think we met on board a boat on Lake Erie last fall."

"Yes," replied Murry, with a faint flush; "I remember it perfectly."

A few more words were exchanged, and then Murray walked away.

"Are you going to marry him, Miss Sally? [illegible]

"No, indeed!"

"Is he rich?"

"He is said to be very wealthy."

"Then I suppose fortune will be a matter of indifference to him?"

"But what if his is as mythical as mine!"

"You must find that out."

"No, I do not care to know now," said Sally. "Let us talk of something else."

"Yes, I thought you were going to ask after your old friends. Have you forgotten all about them in these gaieties?"

"Oh, no!" And Sally put query after query about her home friends until, at last, Mr. Trumbull said:

"But you do not ask after Tom Middleton, and you might, for he cares more for you than all the rest of them put together."

"Oh, that nonsense! But how is he?"

"He will tell you himself."

"Tom here exclaimed Sally, her face lighting up with delight.

"Yes, indeed. We came on together."

"And why hasn't he come to speak to me?" and the pretty face clouded again.

"He says he did not dare before all these people; but if you will go to your parlor I will send him there."

Sally started up at once, and Mr. Trumbull looked hoping for this match for a long time, and now as he went out to find Tom, he whispered to him:

"Speak to her to-night man! I am sure she loves you."

Tom scarcely knew whether he was walking on his head or his heels as he made his way to the private parlor. He never could remember afterwards exactly what happened when he reached it. He only knew that Sally came to him with a bright, blushing face, and that the next thing he was certain of was that she was clasped in his arms.

At a tolerable early hour the next morning a note was handed to Sally. It was from Mr. Murray, renewing his offer, and begging for a speedy interview.

"Ask the gentleman to come up," Sally said to the servant, and Tom, who was with her, went out without a particle of jealous objection.

The young man came in, and would have seized Sally's hand, but she drew it back, haughtily. "Stop a moment, Mr. Murray; I should like to ask you a question."

He paused, abashed by her resolute face. "What is it, Miss Beauclerc?"

"Do you know how much money I am worth?"

He hesitated and stammered. At last he said; "Your friend, Mr. Trumbull, mentioned to me that you had some fortune, but I assure you, dearest Sally, that it is of yourself alone I—"

Sally checked him with an imperious gesture, "I have not a penny in the world."

He stood still, looking at her with a pale astonished face.

"Yes, sir, I am entirely without fortune, and whoever takes me must take a portionless bride."

"I—am very sorry"—he gasped on the words.

"No need to express your regrets, sir. I am engaged to be married, and will bid you good morning."

Murray got out of the room as best he could, and vanished that day from Washington. His wealth turned out to be a mere fabrication of his own, and he was heard of no more in fashionable circles.

"After all, wasn't it funny that I should be courted for my fortune?" Sally said as she related Mr. Murray's discomfiture to Tom.

"But I agree with Mr. Trumbull," he replied enthusiastically—"that you are worth your weight in gold."

Curiosities of the Marriage Service in England.

A clergyman in Hampshire, England, writes: "If you had married as many couples as I have you would be aware that it is not only when German princes appear at the hymeneal altar in England that novelties in pronunciation occur and foreign matter is introduced in the marriage service. In my parish it is quite the fashion for the man to giving the ring to say to the woman. 'With my body I thee wash up, and with all my hurdle goods, I, thee, and thou;' to which trio he pertinaciously adheres in spite of all my endeavors to correct the text. One man who could not read, but had taken praiseworthy pains to learn his part beforehand, had perfectly mastered what he was taught, only unluckily his 'coach' had blundered upon the baptismal instead of the matrimonial service, so when interrogated as to taking the woman to be his wedded wife the bridegroom stoutly affirmed, "All this, I steadfastly believe." The women are usually better up in this part of the prayer book than the men, but one day a bride (taught in a government school) startled me by making the extraordinary vow to her husband, 'too 'ave and too 'old from this day fortni't for betterer horse for richerer power in siggerness also to love cheeries and to bay.' What meaning this marvellous farrago conveyed to her mind it is beyond the power of mine to imagine."

A quaint letter from Dr. Guillotine, the inventor of the guillotine, has been discovered, which reads thus: "The punishment which I have invented is so gentle—so gentle that really it is only the idea of death which could make it disagreeable. Indeed if one were not thinking of death, one would only experience the sensation of a slight and pleasant coolness on the neck."

Prof. Blot says: "Never drink tea at breakfast; it is suicide. Drink coffee or chocolate. If you drink tea at all, drink it after lunch or dinner. Coffee should not be boiled, and should be perfectly clear of itself, without any [illegible]

AGRICULTURAL.

Long Feed.

A correspondent, writing to *The Scientific American*, proposes a plan for preparing "long feed" for horses and cattle, which he regards as valuable. We give the writer's plan in his own words: "Lay brush or poles for a stack; spread fresh cut clover a foot thick; on this lay the straw a foot thick, and so on in alternate layers until the stack is made. The juices, gases, etc., from the clover will so thoroughly permeate the straw as to prevent the clover from 'firing,' and make both equally good food for stock. Cattle will eat the one as readily as the other. Not only is there a saving of time, etc., by the operation, but, also, all those valuable parts of the clover lost in the process of drying." He recommends the preparation on the score of economy; and in the country, distant from paper manufacturies, the argument will hold good. But in the vicinity of New York, by devoting straw to this use, economy is not advanced, as the editor of *The Scientific American* remarks that the demand for straw for the manufacture of paper is so great that it commands a higher price than hay. In other places, however, straw is abundant, and so cheap that it applied to no practical use. In those localities the farmer may derive profit from the preparation. Red clover is one of the most succulent grasses that we have. It contains 81-01 per cent. of water, and but 18-99 per cent. of solid matter. It is from the latter that the flesh-forming and other nutritive substances are drawn; so, as an article of food, the waste is equal to four times the solid and useful matter. Straw contains a large amount of useless matter, in the shape of woody fibre, but by allowing it to be pemented by the 81-01 per cent. of clover, we may render it a valuable article of food. The only question of doubt suggested by the subject is whether the large amount of water escaping from green clover, in a close stack, will not have a tendency to produce mould. The absorbing qualities of straw, we admit, are great, but even straw by itself, when exposed to dampness, is not invincible to sourness and decay. —*Turf, Field, and Farm.*

The Cultivation of Raspberries.

The raspberry, like many of our other small fruits, is greatly neglected in its cultivation, though common in every garden and everywhere esteemed for its rich and handsome fruit; yet but a few individuals have attempted to improve its size, productiveness, and excellence of berries, which are no doubt as susceptible of improvement as other small fruits.

The success of planting out depends much upon the choice of plants. Suckers of all sizes are usually thrown up, and cultivators would naturally select the largest; such, however, are not the best; those of medium size, neither too small nor too large, have the finest roots and spread more readily than the others. In selecting, reference should be had rather to the roots than to the tops.

Enriching the bed at the time of planting is not sufficient to keep the plants in good bearing condition; they should have a top dressing of two or three inches of compost or short manure every fall. This should be lightly covered on the appearance of cold weather, with straw or long horse stable manure. This will encourage the growth of the roots, and in the spring the suckers which are thrown up to form the bearing plants of the next season will be much stronger.

The raspberry can hardly be said to need pruning in the common acceptance of the term. All that is required is to shorten the most vigorous shoots and cut away the old wood after it has produced its fruit. The second summer after planting they will throw up a quantity of suckers, of which but four or five should be allowed to remain, except to stock new plantations. The strongest ones should be shortened to four or five feet, and you will have a crop of fine fruit, which will more than repay you for your trouble.—*Germantown Telegraph.*

Lawns and Parks.

Nothing looks neater than a well-kept lawn or park, its thick sward of velvety grass, smooth and well-trimmed. Many lawns are spoiled by being crowded with large, deciduous trees, the overspreading branches of which prevent evergreens and other choice trees and shrubs from developing themselves fully. Who has not seen the leading shoot of Norway spruce, abor vitæ, or balsam destroyed by the overhanging drip, shade, or chafing of a maple, poplar, or elm? It is better to cut down such intruders, or at least to prune them severely, than to have fine evergreens, etc., spoiled. A few choice specimens of evergreens and flowering shrubs, with an occasional lime oak or purple beech, and plenty of space between them for a large expanse of grass, with flower beds cut out of it, looks better than a crowd of trees, shutting out the sun and hiding the view of everything. Some lawns and parks are spoiled by having too coarse a variety of grass sown in them, which never makes a good sward. There is nothing better for a lawn, park, or grass plat than a mixture of June-grass, *Poa pratensis*, sweet-scented vernal grass, *anthoxantum odoratum*, and white clover, *trifolium repens*. The latter grows rapidly and forms a thick sward, but it is apt to choke out other plants, to require cutting too frequently, and also to fade in the autumn. For these reasons only a small quantity should be sown. The grass in lawns, parks, etc., should be frequently mowed during the season, in order to keep the sward in proper trim, and to prevent the grass from injuring the trees, shrubs, and flowers. If it is left fit for a hay crop, it will spoil the lower branches of evergreens, and encroach on and overspread [illegible]

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A correspondent (having the confidence of *The Boston Transcript*) writes to that paper this interesting bit of gossip: "In that rare collection of good things, the first volume of Sargent's Gem Series, I find the following poem by Leigh Hunt:

'Jenny kissed me when we met,
Jumping from the chair she sat in,
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Sweets into your list, put them in!'

'Say I'm weary, say I'm sad;
Say that health and wealth have missed me;
Say I'm growing old; but add—
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A city editor, who is a bachelor, having said in his last issue that he really wished he had a son, so that he could dress him up in the fashion, was called upon the next day by his adorable, to whom he had been paying his distresses for the last two years, and asked him if he really said that. "Certainly I did, my dear." "Well, Jimmy," said she, "*why don't you make arrangements for one?*" Our friend says it was the first time he was ever cornered. He was so mortified that he went right away to a parson.

A little boy had a wooden horse, and, in the course of time, its legs, tail, and ears got broken off and the toy presented rather a raggish appearance. Says he one day: "God sees everything, don't he, mother?" "Yes, my child." "Well, I guess he'll laugh, then, when he sees this horse."

Gen. Sheridan has been recently pleased by the repartee of a Texas paper, which quoted his jest that, "If he owned Texas and Tophet, he would rent the former and live in the other place," and curtly added, "D——n a man that wouldn't stand up for his own country."

At a church in Scotland, two candidate offered to preach, of the names of Adam and Low. The last preached in the morning, and took for his text, "Adam, where art thou?" In the evening Mr. Adam preached, and took for his text, "Lo, I am here."

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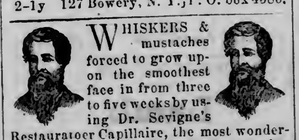

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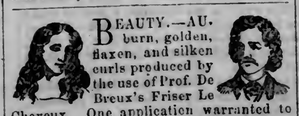

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at the great New England fair—the Vermont state fair—the Pennsylvania state fair—the Indiana state fair—the Wisconsin state fair—the Michigan state fair—the Iowa state fair—and at over 60 county fairs throughout the West—making more first premiums than were taken by all other sewing machines together in the same time.

It is now the great leading Family Sewing Machine all over the world.

Price of machines with hemmer, feller, gauge, oil can, extra needles, full directions, etc., from $56 to $150.

Barnum's Self-Sewer for all Sewing Machines,

guides the work itself avoiding the bent posture and strain on the eyes. Price $1.50. Large discounts to agents.

We take other machines in exchange. We sell oil, cotton, silk, twist, and needles for every kind of sewing machine.

AGENTS WANTED.—Terms to agents, descriptive circular and specimens of work, sent free by mail, on receipt of stamp, or had of L. GORNELL & Co., Gen. Agts,
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THE SILVER SKIRT.—PATENTED March 7, 1865.

More durable, more elastic, more graceful, and will keep its shape and retain its place better than any other skirt.

This new and beautiful style of Skirt was awarded by the Great American Institute Fair, held in New York, October, 1865, a

Silver Medal,

the highest premium ever given for a hoop skirt.

The steel springs are wound with a fine plated wire (in place of a cotton covering), which will not wear off or become soiled, and the whole skirt may be washed without injury or fear of rusting, and will be as good as new.

The Combination Silver Skirt.

This invention combines with the ordinary cotton skirt the advantages of our silver skirt, the bottom hoops are the same as those used in the silver skirt, the covering of which cannot wear off, while the upper ones are covered with cotton. No lady having once worn one of our skirts will be willing to wear any other, as the lower hoops of all other kinds are soon injured and soiled.

The best materials are used in their construction, and from their durability and neatness, they are destined to become a favorite skirt. For sale by
GEO. NEWMAN,
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E. REMINGTON & SONS,

Manufacturers of

REVOLVERS, RIFLES,

muskets, and carbines, for the U. S. service. Also, pocket and belt revolvers, repeating pistols, rifle canes, revolving rifles, rifle and shot gun barrels, and gun materials sold by gun dealers and the trade generally

In these days of housebreaking and robbery, every house, store, bank, and office should have one of

Remingtons' Revolvers.

Parties desiring to avail themselves of the late improvements in pistols, and superior workmanship and form, will find all combined in the new Remington revolvers.

Circulars containing cuts and description of our arms will be furnished upon application.
E. REMINGTON & SONS, Ilion, N. Y.
MOORE & NICHOLS, Agents,
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PRINTING, OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS promptly executed at THE CONSERVER Job Office. Call and examine specimens. Orders by mail carefully filled.
1-tf IRVING TODD.

DEFECTIVE PAGE

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

CHICKEN SHOOTING.—Our sportsmen report game quite abundant and fun immense, but we have to take their word for it as yet. Can't nobody do nothing for no one no how?

NEW WHEAT.—The first new wheat was brought to market in this city on Saturday last by Mr. GEO. BARBARAS, of the town of Vermillion, and sold for $1.30 per bushel. It was self-sown, not having been cultivated this summer, and is clear gain. From twenty acres he will net four hundred bushels, full twenty to the acre, and no expense for ploughing, dragging, or seeding. Who can beat this?

A NEW LINE.—The swift little steamer *Chippewa* is now running independent from St. Paul to La Crosse, taking passengers and freight at the old high water tariff, the packet company having increased their charges twenty-five per cent on the 1st inst. Patrons will be promptly attended by Capt. E. E. HEERMAN and Clerk T. D. CORY, two of the best fellows in the business.

A MAGNIFICENT SCHEME.—Mr. P. MILLER, of Chicago, visited Hastings last week in connection with the Crosby Opera House Art Association, the drawing of which comes off on the 1st of October next. Among the premiums are the well known opera house in Chicago, erected at a cost of $600,000, and three hundred choice and valuable oil paintings. The shares are $5 each, and each subscriber gets a handsome engraving alone worth the money. Capt. JOHN KENNEDY has been appointed agent for this city, and will issue certificates of membership to such as desire them. Quite a number have already been taken by our business men. Specimens of the engravings may be seen at the post-office.

PERSONAL.—Col. JOHN F. MARSH, formerly post-master of this city, and one of its early mayors, has been spending a few days in town looking up old friends. We are sorry to learn that he has taken up his residence in an eastern city.

Adjt. JOHN PELLER, of the old 1st Minn. Regiment, and lately adjutant general of the state, has returned to this city and become associated with CHAS. SCHROTH, esq, in the leather business at the old stand on the levee. Persons wishing anything in their line will do well to give them a call.

N. C. DRAPER, esq., returned from the east last week. What effect this will have on the price of goods may be best determined by calling at the store. They have a pile of them on hand, and more on the road.

THEATRE.—Plunkett's troupe gave three of their first class entertainments on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings of last week, playing The Lady of Lyons, The Stranger, and Leah. SUSAN DENIN, as usual, attracting loud plaudits from the audience, and was greeted on each appearance with rounds of applause and showers of bouquets. CHAS. PLUNKETT, as the stranger, did remarkably well, although it is not by any means one of his strong characters. Mr. FYFFE rendered his parts in good taste, as also did Messrs. HICKS, LAYTON, KENNEDY, MALLEN, PARSONS, DALEY, and Mrs. ALLEN and Miss STORMS, but MARBLE, the inimitable, brought down the house. "Therefore are we a doctor." We hope Miss DENIN will be able to redeem her promise of re-visiting us next summer.

OUR RAILROAD.—The subscription books of the H., M., & R. R. R. were opened at the First National Bank on the 1st inst., and the day following an organization was effected as follows:

DIRECTORS.

W. G. Le Duc.	S. G. Renick.
W. K. Rogers.	J. F. Norrish.
A. W. Gardner.	H. H. Pringle.
Wm. Ennis.	

President.—W. G. Le Duc.
Secretary.—W. K. Rogers.
Treasurer.—L. S. Follett.
Attorney.—I. Donnelly.

A committee, consisting of Wm. Ennis, S. G. Renick, and A. W. Gardner, were appointed to receive subscriptions of stock. We are sorry to see the luke-warmness manifested by some of our leading business men in regard to this great enterprise. Money is needed and must be had at once, or nothing will be accomplished.

MURDOCH.—This celebrated elocutionist will give one of his popular readings at Teutonia Hall this—Tuesday—evening, and we hope none of our readers will miss the opportunity of hearing him, as it will be well worth the money. The following is the programme:

1. *The Merchant of Venice.*—The trial scene, or the Jew's plea for justice. (Act. 4th.) Shakspeare.
2. *Drifting.*—A poet's reverie. T. Buchanan Read.
3. *The Vagabonds*, or The Fiddler and his Dog. J. T. Trowbridge.
4. *The Patriot Parson*, or The Rising of 1776. Extract from The Wild Wagoner of the Alleghanies. T. Buchanan Read.
5. *Monsieur Tonson Come Again*, or The Troubles of the Little Frenchman, and The Pleasanties of Tom King, the Jester. An old time ballad by John Taylor.
6. *How they brought the Good News from Ghent to Aix.*—A dramatic lyric. Robert Browning.
7. *Sheridan's Ride.*—An incident of the war. T. Buchanan Read.
8. *Selections from the Pickwick Papers.*—The Trial of Bardell, versus Pickwick, with the grandiloquent speech of Sargeant Buzfuz for the plaintiff. Dickens.

It is the intention to form a lecture association, as in other cities, and we hope that at least twenty-five dollars surplus will remain after paying Mr. MURDOCH'S price. This can easily be arranged if our citizens take interest enough in the matter to attend. Then we will have a fund which can be used at a moment's notice in securing the best speakers and lecturers the country affords. Also a library, reading room, etc. Who will not subscribe to so laudable an undertaking?

LOCAL NOTICES.

Prime fire test kerosene oil, lamps, chimneys, and a full line of kerosene goods can always be found at Marvin's drug store. Give him a call.

By making your purchases at Newman's you have the advantage of low prices and a large variety to make your selections from, and everything warranted to be as represented. Call at Union Block before going elsewhere.

If you want a good article without paying more than it is worth, why don't you go to Macomber's and get it. Call and examine his stock, which will be found full and complete. Repairing and engraving done to order in a satisfactory manner.

At the brown store is the place to get your groceries and provisions, and be sure of your money's worth. Their variety is large, and purchased expressly for this market just before the late rise. Give them a trial.

MARRIED.

In Hampton, July 29th, 1866, by Geo. Barbaras, esq., Mr. CHARLES A. TAFT and Miss LUCELIA E. BOW.

In St. Paul, July 28th, 1866, by the Rev. G. M. Staub, Mr. JOHN MIER and Miss ANNA MARIA RITER.

In Hastings, Aug. 7th, 1866, by the Rev. C. S. Le Duc, Mr. GEORGE ROBSON and Miss EMILY A. EYRE, both of this city.

A. F. and A. M.

VERMILLION CHAPTER No. 2, R. A. M.—Stated meetings Friday on or preceding full moon in each month at the hall, corner Second and Vermilion Streets.
J. E. FINCH H. P.
GEO. C. KING, Secretary.

DAKOTA LODGE, No. 7, A. F. and A. M.—Stated meetings 2d and 4th Wednesdays in each month at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets.
R. J. MARVIN, W. M.
C. O. BALL, Secretary.

MT. MORIAH LODGE, No. 35, A. F. and A. M.—Stated meetings 1st and 3d Mondays in each month at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets.
J. E. FINCH, W. M.
CHAS. HERZOG, Secretary.

I. O. of O. F.

VERMILLION LODGE, No. 8.—Meets Tuesday evening of every week at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets.
LOUIS HENRY, N. G.
N. C. JOHNSON, Recording Secretary.

I. O. of G. T.

STAR LODGE, NO. 47.—Regular meeting every Monday evening, at their hall on Third Street.
JOHN R. MARS, W. C. T.
JOHN KENNEDY, W. S.

HASTINGS LUMBER MARKET.

Common Lumber,	$25 00	Clear. No. 1,	$50 00
Fencing,	25 00	" No. 2,	45 00
Flooring,	35 00	Shingles, extra,	6 00
Siding,	30a35 00	No. 1,	5 00
Lath,	4 00	Stock Boards	25 00

MONETARY QUOTATIONS THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HASTINGS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Bankable Funds.

U. S. Notes.	Minnesota.
Canada.	All National Banks.

Exchange.

FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

	Buying.	Selling.
New York, Philadelphia, Boston,	par.	¼prem.
Milwaukee,	par.	¼prem.
Chicago,	par.	¼prem.
PREMIUM FUNDS.		
Gold,	45	50
Silver (large),	40	45
U. S. Demand Notes	45	50
Canada	45	50

RETAIL PRICE CURRENT.

HASTINGS, August 7, 1866.

WHEAT, per bushel,	1 25a1 30
FLOUR, per sack,	4 50
CORN, per bushel,	60a65
OATS, do	45a50
RYE, do	45a50
BARLEY, do	35a40
POTATOES,	45a50
BEANS, do	1 00a1 10
ONIONS, do	1 00a1 20
HAY, per ton,	10 00a12 00
WOOD, green, per cord,	4 25a4 50
WOOD, dry, do	5 50a6 00
SALT, fine, per bbl	3 75a4 00
SALT, solar, do	3 75
NAILS, per lb 10 per keg	9 00
BUTTER, per lb	20a25
CHEESE, Minnesota, per lb	20a25
CHEESE, Hamburg, do	28a30
EGGS, per dozen,	15a20
PORK, fresh, per cwt,	10 00a11 00
PORK, salt, per lb,	15a20
BEEF, fresh, do	8a12
HAMS, Minnesota, per lb	18a20
HAMS, canvassed, do	20a25
APPLES, green, per barrel	6 50a7 50
APPLES, dried, per lb	20
PEACHES, dried, do	30a35
BLACKBERRIES, dried	50a60
SUGARS, dark brown ₹ lb	11
SUGARS, fair do do	13a14
SUGARS, prime, do do	14a16
SUGARS, powd. chged & granulated	20a23
MOLASSES, plantation, per gall	80a1 25
MOLASSES, prime, N O. do	1 40a1 50
SYRUPS, do	40
COFFEE, prime rio per lb	35
COFFEE, O. G. java, do	45a50
TEAS	75a2 25

Irving Todd,

Versicherungs-Agent.

Hastings, Feb. 6, 1866. 43—tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

POSTPONEMENT.

UNION NATIONAL

GIFT CONCERT

to be given at

SMITH & NIXON'S HALL, Chicago,

August 30th, 1866.

The drawing will positively take place at the above date.

100,000 SPLENDID GIFTS

valued at $990,000, will be presented to the ticket-holders. Number of tickets issued 1,000,000. Price one dollar each.

Persons contemplating purchasing tickets in any of the many enterprises of the kind, will do well to examine the following:

$50,000 in real estate.
$30,000 in greenbacks.
10 $10,000 prizes.
10 $5,000 prizes.
5 $2,000 prizes.
3 large farms, valued at $22,200.
50 pianos, each $800.
200 sewing machines, each $100.
1,000 silk dress patterns, each $65.
98,725 other prizes.

ALL FOR ONE DOLLAR EACH.

For further particulars send for circulars.

Special Terms, or Club Rates.

Any party procuring a club of five or more names for tickets and forwarding us the money for the same, will be allowed the following commission, viz. We will send

5 Tickets to one address for	$4 50
10 " " "	9 00
20 " " "	17 50
30 " " "	26 25
40 " " "	35 00
50 " " "	43 50
100 " " "	85 00

In every case send the name of each subscriber and their post office address, with town, county, and state in full. Money by draft, post-office order, express, or in registered letters, may be sent at our risk. All communications should be addressed to

BRYAN, ROSBROOK, & Co.,
100 Madison St., Chicago, Ill.
P. O. Drawer 5927.

GENERAL AGENTS.

C. Thacher, publisher, etc., 13 Court Street, Boston, Mass.
Bernard & Butler, 30 West 4th Street, Cincinnati, O.
Burk & Barth, booksellers, etc., Union R. R. Depot, Indianapolis, Ind.
Fisher & Bros., music store, 117 Main Street, Dayton, O.
F. Nolen & Co., Wilmington, Del.

WANTED.

General agents for cities, towns, and districts, who can appoint good, active sub-agents, also, local agents in small towns. Send references with application.

As a further inducement to our agents and friends to act energetically and promptly we offer a premium of one hundred dollars, irrespective of all commissions, to our most successful agent. And, to getter up of the largest private club, a premium of twenty-five dollars.

REFERENCES.

The Hon. Robert G. Kirk, O. The Hon. Henry S. Sanford, Conn. Ex-Gov. Randall, Wis. The Hon. James S. Pike, Me. The Hon. P. G. Van Winkle, West Va. The Hon. G. H. Williams, Oregon. Gen. H. J. Kilpatrick, N. J. The Hon. A. P. Hovey, Ind. L. Holinberg, esq., Topeka, Kansas. John P. Hamlin, esq., Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Henry Borrette, M. D., Nevada City. Chas. Frederick Ablet, esq., Idaho: and any of the prominent business men in Chicago, of our acquaintance. 14-7w

NEW LUMBER YARD.

E. OAKFORD & CO.,

Dealers in

Lumber, Lath,

AND

SHINGLES.

Yard on Fifth Street, between Sibley and Vermillion, adjoining Twitchell's school house.

Hastings, June 6, 1866. 10—6w

THE GROWNING TRIUMPH.

Lamb

Knitting Machine.

THE COMPLETE KNITTER.

Operating on an Entirely New Principle.

This machine knits the heel into the stocking and narrows off the toe, sets up its own work, widens and narrows, and knits tubular, double, and flat with selvedges producing all kinds of fancy fabrics and knit goods in use. It knits a yard of plain work in ten minutes, a pair of socks in twenty minutes, of any kind of yarn, woolen or cotton, coarse or fine, in short, the most profitable machine ever invented for woman. Agents wanted every where. Address the Lamb Knitting Machine Company, Davenport, Iowa, for circulars, enclosing stamp.

11-6m N. G. LEE, Gen. Agt.

ESTRAY NOTICE.—TAKEN UP ON my premises, on or about the 12th inst, a large white COW, seven or eight years of age, with calf. The owner is hereby notified to call, prove property, pay charges, and take her away.

GEORGE BESLEY.

Hastings, July 14th, 1866. 14-4w

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MISCELLANEOUS.

C. AULTMAN & Co's

"SWEEPSTAKES."

THE ONLY GENUINE

"SWEEPSTAKES"

THRESHING MACHINE.

C. AULTMAN, Manufacturer, Canton, Ohio. | HENRY H. TAYLOR, Gen'l Western Ag't, Chicago, Ill.

TWO STYLES OF HORSE POWERS.

The Improved "Carey" Power,

(Both eight and ten horse.)

THE "COMPENSATING" POWER,

(Both eight and ten horse.)

A laudable ambition exists among threshers to "own the best machine in the neighborhood." Nothing is more disagreeable to them than to have farmers complain that their work is not properly done, or to lose valuable time by reason of breakages, and they can not be too careful in selecting a machine.

The Sweepstakes is the accredited head of the Threshing Machine family, and its superior strength, durability, simplicity, ease of draft, style of finish, and capacity for threshing and cleaning grain faster and better than any other in the world are acknowledged.

The great reputation achieved by this favorite machine has led several unscrupulous manufacturers, and numerous agents, to attach the name "SWEEPSTAKES," in one way and another, to their machines and advertisements to mislead and deceive

This is the essence of meanness—downright piracy, and sailing under false colors. To avoid the counterfeit, see that every machine has the card, "C. AULTMAN & CO., MANUFACTURERS *Canton, Ohio,*" in gilt letters, conspicuously on both sides of the Separator.

The Genuine Sweepstakes enables the thresher to pick his customers, seldom stops for repairs, lasts much longer than others, saves much grumbling and vexation, does the same amount of work with less labor, and enables him to select the best and most profitable jobs.

The farmers give it a preference, and often an extra price per bushel, because it threshes clean from the heads, separates perfectly from the straw, cleans fit for market without waste, saves all the grain, does its work with the utmost speed, safety and economy, and does not keep a gang of men and teams about them on expense.

The elegant "Patent Pivot Side Gear" is to be found only on the SWEEPSTAKES.

Our "Patent Cleaning Apparatus" enables the operator to control the direction of the blast, and position of the seives, and clean either heavy or light grain, without waste, as fast as it can be threshed.—the chaff and dirt being separated from the grain *before it strikes the seive at all.*

Separators, Horse Powers, Straw Stackers, Gears or Jacks, sold separately, when desired. A written warranty delivered with every machine. The "SWEEPSTAKES" is usualy a very scarce article after harvest, and parties should *order early.*

Call or send and get a pamphlet circular giving a full description and particulars, together with numerous certificates, and the names and residence of over three thousand persons who have bought and used the SWEEPSTAKES in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Kansas, alone.

GARDNER & MELOY, Agents.

Hastings, June 19, 1866. 10—3m

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT, 1866.

MINN. CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Two Daily Trains Each Way.

Trains will run as follows on and after Thursday, May 16th, 1866:

GOING SOUTH.

Leave Minneapolis	8. 45 a. m.	3. 40 p. m.
Leave Mendota	9. 40 a. m.	4. 45 p. m.
Arrive Faribault	12. 50 p. m.	8. 45 p. m.

GOING NORTH.

Leave Faribault	1. 40 p. m.	6. 00 a. m.
Leave Mendota	5. 05 p. m.	10. 00 a. m.
Arrive Minneapolis	5. 45 p, m.	10. 40 a. m.

Trains going north will not stop at Fort Snelling.

The morning train going south and the evening train going north will not stop at Wescott or Castle Rock. All other trains will stop at Minnehaha, Fort Snelling, Wescott, and Gastle Rock on signal.

Passengers leaving Faribault at 6 a. m. and Minneapolis at 8.45 a. m. connect with the 10.30 a. m. boat from St. Paul. Passengers from Faribault at 1.40 p. m. and Minneapolis at 3.40 p. m. connect with the 6 p. m. boat from St. Paul. Fare from Minneapolis to St. Paul as low as by any other route, and omnibus ride at Minneapolis saved. Tickets for sale at the railway company's depot in Minneapolis, and at the ticket office of the North-Western Union Packet Company, on the levee, St. Paul.

Pleasure and picnic parties can leave Minneapolis at 8.45 a. m. and 3.40 p. m. spend an hour at Minnehaha, and take the return train, arriving in Minneapolis at 10. 40 a. m. and 5. 45 p. m.

Persons desiring to visit the interior of the state on their return east can leave Minneapolis or St Paul in the morning, and arrive in Winona at noon next day, or can leave St. Paul or Minneapolis in the afternoon and arrive at Winona on the evening of the next day, connecting with the boat for La Crosse and points east. This line passes through the heart of the grain growing district of Minnesota, and is made up of one hundred and twenty miles of railway, divided by only forty miles of stage route over splendid natural roads. A first class line of four horse coaches is run daily by the Minnesota Stage Company between the railroad termini at Kasson and Faribault. Fare from St. Paul or Minneapolis to La Crosse, $11.75. Tickets for sale at the depot of the railway company in Minneapolis, and of the Minnesota stage company in St. Paul.

D. C. SHEPARD,
General Superintendent.

Minneapolis, May 10, 1866. 11-tf

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HASTINGS

Is now fully organized for the transaction of a general banking business with a capital of $100,000. The bank will receive Deposits, buy and sell Exchange, United States, and State Bonds and Securities, Coupons, Gold, etc., etc.

OFFICERS.

S. G. Renick, President.
Stephen Gardner, Vice President.
L. S. Follett, Cashier.

DIRECTORS.

S. G. Renick. L. S. Follett. Stephen Gardner.
H. H. Pringle. A. W. Gardner.

Hastings, Jan. 1, 1866. 22-tf

Irving Todd's

Accidenz-Druckerei.

Hastings, Feb. 10, 1866. 44-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

GOLD AND SILVER.

Financial crisis compel us to sell in the course of six months

$250,000——$250,000

worth of

Watches, Clocks, Chains, Diamond Rings, Pianoes, Melodeons, Sewing Machines, Silver Ware, etc.

All to be disposed of at

One Dollar Each

Without regard to value! And not to be paid for until you know what you are to receive. After receiving the article, if it does not please you, you can return it and your money will be refunded.

The stock comprises amongst other articles, splendid Clocks, Gold and Silver Watches, Rings set with Diamonds, Rubies, Pearls, Garnet and other Stones, (solitaire and in clusters), ladies sets of Jewelry, comprising Pins and Ear Rings of the most fashionable styles, set in Precious Stones of every variety, together with a large assortment of Gold and Enamelled and Pearl Sets, Gold Studs and Sleeve Buttons of the most beautiful patterns, Gents Bosom and Scarf Pins, and an endless variety of Bracelets, Chains, Musical Boxes, Head-dresses, Combs, Charms, etc.

In consequence of the great stagnation of trade in the manufacturing districts of France and England, a large quantity of valuable Jewelry, originally intended for European market, has been sent off for sale in this country, and must be sold at any sacrifice! Under these circumstances the "Watch & Gold Jewelry Co." have resolved upon

AN APPORTIONMENT

subject to the following regulations:

Certificates of the various articles are first put into envelopes, sealed up and mixed; and when ordered, are taken out without regard to choice, and sent by mail, thus giving all a fair chance. On receipt of the certificate, you will see what you are to have, and then it is at your option to send the dollar and take the article or not. Purchasers may thus obtain a piano, melodeon, sewing machine, gold watch, diamond ring, or any set of jewelry on our list for one dollar. Send 25 cents for a certificate. In all transactions by mail, we shall charge for forwarding the certificates, paying postage, and doing the business 25 cents each, which must be enclosed when the certificate is sent for.

AGENTS.—We want agents in every town and county in the country, and those acting as such will be allowed ten cents on every certificate ordered by them provided their remittance amount to $1. Agents will collect 25 cents for every certificate, and remit 15 cents to us, either in cash or postage stamps. Agents remitting at once $30 will be entitled to a beautiful silver watch, and also 200 certificates.

Please write your name, town, county, and state plainly, and address all orders to

WATCH AND GOLD JEWELRY COMPANY,
51-6m 36 Liberty St., New York.

GOLD AND SILVER.

AWFUL SACRIFICE!

BUT

Bankruptcy Avoided!

EXTRAORDINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

2,000,000 dollars worth of gold and silver watches, splendid jewelry, French clocks, diamond rings, pianos, melodeons, silver ware, etc., etc. to be disposed of at two dollars, each article, without regard to value.

Grand International Meeting of Manufacturers of Watches and Jewelry.

The following has been resolved, that in consequence of the great stagnation of trade, and in order to relieve from pecuniary embarrassments occasioned by a distressing war and to avoid

BANKRUPTCY,

$2,000,000 worth of goods from their stock, must be sold in the course of six month, at

ANY SACRIFICE,

and for that purpose, they have unanimously elected

DE TREY & CO.,
34 Liberty Street,
As their Exclusive Agents.

As a preliminary they would remark that they manufacture and sell no brass watches or imitation of jewelry.

All are warranted Gold of the finest Workmanship.

The articles to sell at $2 each, no matter how costly it may be, consist of splendid hunting case gold and silver watches, French clocks, rings set with diamonds, rubies, pearls, and other precious stones (solitaire and in clusters), ladies sets of jewelry comprising pins and ear-rings of the most fashionable and recherche style gold, and enameled bracelets, studs and sleve buttons, chains of all descriptions, etc., etc., silver ware (extra plated), comprising castors, butter dish, beautifully chased and engraved, table and tea spoons, goblets, etc., etc., pianos, melodeons, and sewing machines of the best makers.

The price of each article varying from six to eight hundred dollars.

HOW WE SHALL PROCEED.

We have adopted the plan of sale now so popular of charging a uniform price, and this price will invariably be $2 for each article regardless of value. The expenses of conducting our agency are paid by the sale of certificates, or sold at fifty cents each or 5 for $2.00, and each certificate will show the holder the particular article he or she is entitled to on payment of an additional $2.00.

THE EXPENSES OF FREIGHT AND PACKING PIANOS OR SEWING MACHINES WILL BE PAID BY THE PARTIES WHO ARE ENTITLED TO THEM.

In every part of the United States and Provinces and to all such very liberal inducements will be offered, and on application a circular of terms will be forwarded. We prefer money sent in post-office orders where they can be obtained or by bank drafts to our order. Please write your name, town, county, and state plainly and all orders to

DE TREY & CO.,
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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1866.

Union State Convention.

The union electors of the state of Minnesota, who are in favor of asserting and maintaining the rights of the loyal people through their representatives in congress to prescribe the conditions on which the late rebel states shall be allowed to participate in the general government, and who favor the proposed amendment to the federal constitution, are requested to send delegates to a convention to be held in Ingersoll's Hall, in St. Paul, Minn., on Wednesday, the 19th day of September, 1866, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for state auditor and clerk of the supreme court, to be supported at the general election, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The several counties will be entitled to delegates as follows, viz:

Anoka	1	Mille Lac	1
Benton	1	Monongalia	1
Blue Earth	4	Morrison	1
Brown	1	Mower	2
Carver	3	Nicollet	3
Cass	1	Olmsted	8
Crow Wing	1	Otter Tail	1
Chisago	1	Pine	1
Cottonwood	1	Ramsey	8
Dakota	7	Redwood	1
Douglas	1	Renville	1
Dodge	3	Rice	6
Faribault	2	St. Louis	1
Fillmore	8	Scott	4
Freeborn	2	Sherburne	1
Goodhue	7	Sibley	2
Hennepin	8	Stearns	4
Houston	4	Steele	2
Isanti	1	Todd	1
Jackson	1	Wabasha	6
Kandiyohi	1	Waseca	2
Kanabec	1	Washington	4
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Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the convention.

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Union State Central Committee.
St. Paul, Aug. 10, 1866.

Congressional Convention.

The republican union electors of the second congressional district are requested to send delegates to a convention to be holden at Ingersoll's Hall at 11 o'clock A. M., in the city of St. Paul, on Thursday, the 20th day of September, 1866, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for representative in congress from said district. The several counties will be entitled to delegates as follows:

Anoka	1	Morrison	1
Benton	1	Meeker	1
Carver	3	Mille Lac	1
Cass	1	Monongalia	1
Chisago	1	Ottertail	1
Crow Wing	1	Pine	1
Dakota	7	Ramsey	8
Douglas	1	St. Louis	1
Goodhue	7	Sherburne	1
Hennepin	8	Stearns	4
Isanti	1	Todd	1
Kandiyohi	1	Wabasha	6
Kanabec	1	Wright	2
McLeod	1	Washington	4

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2d. Con. District, Committee.
St. Paul, Aug. 9, 1866.

Principle vs. Party.

The Union, of the 8th inst., under the head of The Coming Election, says that Mr. Donnelly will, in all probability, be the republican nominee for congress in this district, in which event three papers which it names, including our own, will fall into line and give him a hearty support, on party grounds. Of course we will. So far as THE CONSERVER is concerned, it is pledged to do so. Our position has been so often reiterated that it is unnecessary to again lay the matter before our readers. Mr. Donnelly is not our first choice, for what we consider sufficient reasons, but the weakest republican we have is certainly far preferable to any man the opposition, my-policy party can place in the field. And we believe these are the sentiments of every true union man in the state.

This twaddle about party discipline would read better had the writer stopped here. But not so. In the same article he lauds C. W. Nash to the skies as the double-distilled quintessence of perfection, and decidedly the only man for the place, while he would have it distinctly understood that he will unflinchingly abide by the choice of the democratic convention. "Oh, consistency, *indeed* thou art a jewel!"

The State and Congressional Conventions.

We give place at the head of our columns to-day to the calls for a state and a congressional convention in the second district, to be held respectively on the 19th and 20th of September next in St. Paul. The state convention is to select candidates for state auditor and clerk of the supreme court, in place of Messrs. Chas. McIlrath and Geo. F. Potter. The former gentleman has held the office for a long time, has given the very best of satisfaction, and we hope will be re-nominated. We have heard sional question having entirely engrossed the attention of our politicians and others.

The congressional situation is not materially changed from that of a few weeks since. The return of Mr. Donnelly will probably tend to agitate the troubled waters a little more deeply, inciting both friend and foe to renewed exertions for success. The chances are nearly equal, and much depends upon the extreme counties above and below. As they hold the balance of power, their action in the premises will be viewed with a great deal of interest.

J. J. Green, of *The Le Sueur Statesman*, has taken the editorial management of *The Winona Democrat*.

State News.

The people of the Saintly city are rejoicing over a bran new steam fire engine, which arrived last week. It is the only one of the kind in the state.

The work of repairing the old stone hotel on Third Street for temporary lunatic asylum purposes has been commenced and is progressing finely.—*St. Peter Advertiser*.

PIGEONS.—This species of game is quite abundant, and numbers of our Nimrods are enjoying a few hours, or a day's sport, returning well laden with their feathered trophies.—*St. Cloud Democrat*.

We regret to learn that the Rev. John W. Shatzel, rector of the Episcopal church, has resigned the position he has filled so long and so well. Mr. Shatzel is an accomplished scholar and writer.—*Lake City Leader*.

We hear that petty pilfering is going on to some extent in this town. Woodpiles and gardens seem to suffer the most. We have heard several persons speak of the astonishing decrease in their woodpiles.—*Northern Statesman*.

For so new a portion of country as Redwood and Renville counties, the crops are large and look well. In place of importing breadstuffs as heretofore, these counties, besides supplying themselves, will have a surplus this season to export.—*St. Peter Advertiser*.

A secret society, composed of soldiers, called the Grand Army of the Republic, has been organized in this state. It was initiated under the auspices of Col. Snyder, of Illinois, for mutual benefit, and for the perpetuation of the results accomplished in the late war.

Mr. Mark Willson, of Hastings, has purchased the residence of C. M. Wheat on Fourth Street, in this city, for $6,000, and has leased the store-room at present occupied by Wm. Richardson, in which he designs opening a large stock of goods in a short time.—*Winona Democrat*.

A man named Wm. Smith, while engaged in rolling freight into Wilson's warehouse, at Reed's Landing, on Thursday last, dropped down suddenly on the levee and died in a few minutes. An inquest was held by Coroner Jones, and a verdict rendered that his death was owing to the rupture of a blood vessel.—*Lake City Leader*.

The Universalists of this city have made a contract with Mr. Thos. Wright to build a church for them on the corner of Zumbro and Franklin Streets. It is to be frame, gothic in style, twenty six by forty-four feet in size, and is to be finished this fall. Mr. Oscar Cobb is the architect. This will make five churches on Zumbro Street.—*Rochester Post*.

By *The Shakopee Argus*, of the 9th, we learn that Mr. C. F. McDonald was accidently shot by the editor while chicken hunting the day previous. The charge principally took effect in the right arm, below the elbow, five shots, however, striking the upper ribs, and three penetrating the abdomen. It seemed to have occurred from the too great eagerness of McDonald in securing his bird, and thus exposing himself to the fire of his comrade, being screened from sight by the thick growth of corn. His condition, though dangerous, is not necessarily fatal, and it is hoped that he may recover.

Our German Catholics of Shakopee are pushing their magnificent church edifice ahead with a will. They have the walls nearly completed, and are about commencing the erection thereon of the belfry, or steeple, which is to be ornamented by a mammoth window, some thirty-five feet in height and proportionately wide, of stained glass, which will face toward the rising sun with an effect truly grand and imposing. The walls immediately under the eaves are ornamented by beautiful brick work, the outside pillars are capped by slabs of fine blue stone, while the great arches at the doorways are encircled by heavy, carved stone, or blue granite. The structure is, or will be when completed, by far the finest building in the state, and will prove a lasting ornament to Shakopee, and a monument of honor to those by whose hands and through whose means it was brought into existence. We believe it is the largest church edifice in the state, and we are certain it will be the handsomest.—*Shakopee Argus*.

A St. Louis girl married a man to win a bet, and afterwards sued for a

NASBY.

Mr. Nasby has a Pleasant Dream, the Philadelphia Convention being the Subject thereof.

CONFEDRIT X ROADS, (wich is in the Stait of Kentucky,) July 28th, 1866.

My dreams, uv wich I hev hed many doorin the past five years, havent bin overly pleasant—indeed they hev taken more the shape uv hideous nitemares than anything else—Linkin, Grant, Sherman's and armies dressed in blue figurin extensively therein. But last nite I had a vision which more than repaid me for all I hev suffered heretofore. I hed bin at the Corners assistin in inauguratin a new grocery. The proprietor wuz a demoralized ablishunist who hed sold likker surreptitiously in Maine, among them ablishunists, and consekently hed no idea uv the quantity a full grown Kentucky democrat cood throw hisself outside uv. His entire capital with wich he proposed to commence biznis wuz one barrel of new corn whiskey and sum other necessaries, and ez a starter, to make the acquaintance uv his customers, he announced one free nite, and invited the entire community. His invitashun was considered generous, and we met it in the same noble sperit, in a more nobler sperit than the confidin and ignorant man desired, in fact, for when we got through, in about 38 minits, there wuzn't a drop uv the whiskey left, and while the new grocery keeper wuz a rollin uv us out he wuz cussin himself for a fool. He didn't open agin—he consoomed his stock in trade in given the blow out to sekoor customers. His stock, like A. Jonson's unionism, didn't survive an inaugershen.

I succumbed in a fence corner, and overpowered ez I wuz, slept—

"Sweetly dreamin,
Dreamin the happy hours away."

Methought I was in Philadelphia and the 14th uv August had arriv. There was a glorious assemblage, ez Doolittle sed, uv the brains and hearts of the country, and I may add, ez I and Humphrey Marshall wus there, uv the bowels likewise. The convention wuz assemblin. There wuz Seward present engineerin uv it. On one side uv him I notist in my dreams a shadowy bein with wings drapped in white and wearin a melankoly look, with one hand a layin on his shoulder a tryin to take him out uv the hall, while another bein, with wings like a bat, had him by the noze, and wuz a twistin uv him just ez he desired. I notist that this last mentioned bein had hoofs, which wuz split, and a tail which he wuz flirtin in great glee. The bein with the tail whispered suthin in Seward's ear whereupon he moved that that eminent patriot, Ex-President Franklin Pierce, be chairman, whereupon the shadowy bein with white unfolded wings flew away, castin at William the most sorrowful look I ever saw, and the hoofed and tailed indivdoonal laughin tremendous. The ex-president took the chair, and one vice president wuz appointed from each state, ceptin Vermont and Massachoosetts. My buzum swelled with emoshen ez that list wuz read—it wuz more like an old fashioned democratic convention than anything I hed heard for five long years. I heard the honored names uv Toombs and Rhett, Pryor and Lee, Slidell and Rosso, and Dandridge and Forest—I heard the names uv Craven and Pollard, Thompson and Forsyth, and felt like him uv old, "my eyes hev beheld thy glory, now let thy servant depart in peace." Nothin but the certainty that I would at last hev the post offis at the Corners kept me from goin up. Singular 'tis what slender ties hold us unto earth!

The secretaries wuz apinted, and then the committee—two on each from the south and one from the north—wich wuz consilliation. I wuz put on the committee on credenshals, Randall, the postmaster general, being the northern representative. We had our hands full. There wuz a rush made on us, so many claiming seats that we locked the door for two hours to decide what shood be the proper qualification for a place. Finally we agreed to admit ez delegates—

FROM THE NORTH.—All dimocrats who had bin arrested by Linkin's minyuns—all officers who hed resined rather than to serve in a ablishun war, and all republikins who cood show a commishun ez postmaster and sich, and (this wuz considered necessary to guard again imposition) who wuz willin to to take his solemn oath that he waz a steadfast bleever in everything A. Johnson hed did sence Janoory, 66 (ceptin some small items wich wuz specified) and all he wuz doin, and all he mite do.

FROM THE SOUTH.—All who cood show a officer's commission in the late confedrit army—all who had received a pardon from A. Johnson, and all who hed lost their niggers in an unholy war, wich inclooded all present.

This decided upon, the work wuz done. The delegates took their seats and the grate work uv reconstructin the yoonyun commenced. Garret Davis wanted to make a speech, and a hall wuz hired for him in another part of the city, and fifty or sixty German emigrants who coodent understand a word of English hired at a shillin an hour to act ez audience. Five kegs of lager beer, a fluid wich I hev bin told Germans tie to, hed bin rolled in the hall, and most uv em stayed seven hours and a half.

In the reguler hall there wuz a comminglin wich wuz edifyin. Doolittle wood make a motion and Vallandigham wood second it. Forrest made a speech and Randall endorsed it. Seward and Cowan were occupying one seat. The resolutions were brief and to the pint. They resolved that,

WHEREAS, there hed bin a season uv unpleantness in our national history wich, owin to circumstances over wich nobody hed any control, extended over several periods of ninety days each; and

WHEREAS, the unpleasantness resulted from the two sections viewin things each from its own stand-pint, instead of viewin things from the other's stand-pint.

WHEREAS, the south, with a magnanimity unknown to history, had thrown down her arms, and wuz ready to resoom her old position in the government, nay more, to take more than her old share in the trouble uv runnin the government; therefore be it

Resolved, That we are for the yoonun ez it wuz.

Resolved, That the persistency uv a sectional congress in continuin the unpleasantness wich hez to some extent disturbed our system uv government, in legislatin while eleven sovereign states is unrepresented, is pizen.

Resolved, That we view with alarm the manifest determination uv congress to centralize in theirselves the law-making power uv the government, and we pledge our support to our worthy chief magistrate, who is a second Jaxon, in his efforts to check their centralizin schemes by vetoin all they may do.

Resolved, That all traces uv the late unpleastness may be wiped out ez soon ez possible, we demand uv congress an appropriation for plowin over all the fields on wich the citizens uv the two sections who wuz indoost by their respective governments, so-called, to carry muskets, cum together, particklerly them on wich our southern bretheren got the worst uv the disputes that ensood.

Resolved, That congress shood, ez soon ez it convenes, change the names uv Murfreesboro, Gettysburg, Atlanta, Vicksburg, et settry, to sich names ez Smithboro, Brownsburg, Jonesburg, et settry, that the serious unpleasantnesses wich occurred at them places may be remembered no more forever,

Resolved, That the citizens uv the southern states wich lost their lives and legs and sich in the late unpleasantness wich hez bin referred to ought to be placed on the pension rolls the same ez the northern citizens who suffered likewise, and that the debt incurred by the south in upholdin things ez viewed from its stand pint is entitled to be paid the same ez the debt incurred by the north in upholdin things ez viewed from its stand pint.

Resolved, That we are willin for the sake uv harmony to admit that Sherman and Grant were, all things considered, worthy uv being ranked with Lee and Jackson.

Resolved, That the safety uv the government demands that sich ez took part in the late unpleasantnis from the southern states be to-wunst admitted to congress, and to the other posishens wich they yoost to ornament, and that the more upleasant they wuz doorin the trouble the more they ought to be admitted.

Resolved, That there shall be gushen confidences, we freely forgive the honored secretary uv state for the too free use uv his little bell doorin the late unpleasantnis, believin that he viewed things from his own stand pint instead uv somebody elsels, wich alluz causes trouble.

At this pint His Egesiency Andrew Johnson, supported by Secretary Welles on one side and Vice President Stephens on the other, with Bukanan in front and Toombs behind, entered the hall. Sich a cheering I never heerd. Hats wuz slung into the air, and seats wuz torn up. Proudly they advanced up the aisle, treading ez they went onto a portrait uv Linkin, wich a enthusiastic Connecticut delegate tore from the wall and throwd before em. They took their position on the stage, Gen. Buell holdin over em a federal flag and Gen. Henry A. Wise, of Virginy, a confedrit flag, both wavin em to the music uv two bands, one a playin Dixie and the other Yankee Doodle.

At this point methought the sperit uv Washington floated into the hall and for a minnit contemplated the countenance uv President Johnson. In my dreem I heerd him murmur "there wuz me and Adams and Gefferson and Monroe and sich, and then cum Fillmore and Peerce and Bookannon, and, good Lord!—Johnson! faugh!" and I notist that George spit az tho' suthin in his mouth didn't taste well. In fact the father uv his country looked sick, and spreadin his wings the sperit moved out of the hall, shakin the sperit dust off uv his speritool boots as he shot thro' the sky-lite.

There wuz then a blank in my dream. When I resoomed I was at the postoffice department the next morning. The gullotin hed commenced work, and the supporters uv the constitushun were reseevin their commissions ez postmasters ez fast ez four hundred clerks cood make em out. Ez I pressed forward Randall hisself give me mine. "Take it, my venerable friend," sez he, with tears a gushin down his cheeks; "take it. No more shall that democrat in your township who takes a paper reseeve it contaminated by the touch uv a ablishin radical."

At this critical pint I awoke. Wood that that dream wuz a reality. Will I only get that postoffis in a dream?

PETROLEUM V. NASBY,

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The Phrenological Journal.—The number for this month has portraits of Benj. Franklin, Lewis Cass, C. F. Brydges, Brunell, Mrs. Parkhurst, etc., with articles on Responsibility; Sowing and Reaping; The Servant Question; Getting Married; Writing: the Philosophy of Phonography: How to Live; Air and Sunlight; Summer, and its Lessons; Over Eating; Head and Body Man-Monkeys: Insanity and Religious Excitements; Physiognomy. Fowler & Wells, New York.

The Herald of Health.—The August number of this valuable publication is received, our information of last month that it had taken a new name proving incorrect. It has been greatly enlarged and improved since we saw it last, and is decidedly the best of its class of magazines now published. Only $2 per annum. Miller, Wood, & Co. New York.

The American Educational Monthly. The August number has a valuable article on Croquet, with the rules and usages of the game; Vegetable Poisons; Self-Education; The Teacher's Profession; Mrs. Wenzle's visit to the Opera; etc. Schermerhorn, Bancroft, &. Co., New York.

Godey's Lady's Book.—This interesting household necessity contains a beautiful engraving, The Toilet of Death; a handsome fashion plate; The Swing; Russian March, Dress Patterns, Bonnets, etc.; and a large variety of reading matter, domestic receipts, etc., for which it is so justly famous. L. A. Godey, Philadelphia, Pa.

Our Young Folks.—The conductors of this favorite announce a new feature, being a series of full page illustrations, drawn by the first artists, engraved in the best manner, and printed upon fine tinted paper. The first will appear in the September number, entitled The Wanderers, designed by W. J. Hennessy. Ticknor & Fields, Boston, Mass.

The Lady's Friend.—The last number has a pretty frontispiece, Harvest Time; a large colored fashion plate; The Street Arab; patterns; Childhood and Home, a song; stories, poetry, recipes, miscellaneous reading, fashions, etc. Deacon & Peterson, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Old Guard.—The August number contains a steel portrait of the rebel Lieut. Gen. Leonidas Polk, Chapters XIII, and XIV. of Bertha Seely, etc., etc. Van Evrie, Horton, & Co., New York.

Arthur's Home Magazine.—We find in the August number a steel engraving, Effie Deans; Patterns; The Mocking Bird Gallop; stories, receipts, etc. T. S. Arthur & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

The Sorgo Journal.—Devoted to cane and cane culture. Clark Sorgo Machine Company, Cincinnati, O.

The English think we must never rush to conclusions. If you have a hundred facts, you have so many steps towards a conclusion; if a thousand, so many more. The true mind infers as much from one fact as from a legion. It knows that what befalls once is the universal fact. It has been happening always,—will happen always. It is the reading the universal in the particular. Newton saw the apple fall, and said, "The moon is only a larger apple. I see the law."—*Emerson.*

M'lle Maria, one of the fast girls of Paris, was supping recently at the Maison d' Or. She did not say a word for some time, but kept her eye fixed on one of the iced decanters. When asked the cause of her silence she replied: It is always a wonder to me how they do manage to put all that ice into those decanters. (Readers who have visited Paris need not be told that the water is frozen in the decanter by an artificial process.)

The Black Brotherhood of St. Bruno.

During the thirty years' war which convulsed Germany one fine summer's afternoon a foot traveler came to the little hostlery of the Traveler's Rest, which stood by the roadside on the river's bank. His garb proclaimed him a soldier. High black boots were drawn half way up to his thighs, in which a loose pair of breeches lost themselves, and a rusty breastplate covered his buff leathern jerkin. A broad-leaf low-crowned hat, from which a single black feather depended, was pulled low upon his forehead. He was armed with sword and pistols.

There was something in his martial bearing and firm trend that seemed to denote the officer. So, at least, thought the little sunny-haired maid of the hostlery, who came forth to serve him; for she said at once:

"What can I serve you with, noble captain?"

"A flagon of Rhenish, and of your best vintage, mind, and a bit of something to eat in the first place," answered the soldier, "and then a bed for the night."

"The first I can supply you with; but the second, I am sorry to say, I cannot."

It was a man's voice that spoke. They had been joined by the landlord of the hostlery—a short pursy little man with a fat face and a red nose.

"And wherefore not?" asked the soldier, carelessly throwing himself on the wooden bench under the tree that shadowed the hostlery with the branches, whilst the girl went into the house to procure the refreshments he had bespoken.

"Because every room is engaged, and I have not a spare bed left. The young Baron Ravensburg, his sister, and their attendants will arrive this evening. Their courier was here this morning to bespeak the rooms."

"That's unfortunate. But I am not particular—I am a soldier as you see—so give me a bundle of straw in one of the out-houses, and that will content me."

"Impossible!" cried the host with an alacrity which rather surprised the soldier; "even as it is, I shall be compelled to make some of the baron's servants sleep in the open air. My house is but small, as you perceive, and the baron's retinue is large. Ten miles further on there is an excellent inn. You are used to marching," said the host with an attempt at facetiousness, "and the distance will be nothing to you."

"Excuse me," answered the soldier, tapping the heel of his boot with his heavy steel scabbard, and all the while subjecting his host to a scrutiny of which he was unconscious, "I am not a foot-soldier; and in my long marches I have been accustomed to use four legs instead of two. I did not come all the way on foot."

"Where is your horse?" asked the landlord quickly, and with some anxiety the soldier thought.

"Some two miles from here," he answered carelessly.

"Two miles from here!" echoed the landlord; "there is no house there. Why did you leave him?"

"Simply because he could carry me no further, and I had not been in the habit of carrying him. He was dead?"

"Dead?"

"Yes. It happened very strangely. These are troublesome times, I know, but I thought the war had not invaded this quiet province, at least I was told so, and therefore I rode along fearless of danger. When I came to that little glen with rocks and woods cresting in upon either side, I thought—a natural idea for a soldier—that it was a capital place for an ambuscade, and so it proved; for I had scarcely entered it when two carbines were fired from the thicket. My horse neighed with pain, reared up and then fell to the earth, carrying me along with him. I knew that he was badly hurt, for I have had horses shot under me before; so I quickly snatched my pistols from my holsters, extracted my feet from the stirrups, and went down quietly with him. Fortunately he lay stone dead and did not kick. I lay motionless on his body and waited for further developements. Two men, with carbines in their hands, emerged from the thicket and came rapidly toward me. When they were within ten feet of me I arose and called upon them to surrender, as I was anxious to learn the cause of this unprovoked attack, there being nothing in my appearance, I thought, to suggest the idea of booty. But the rascals, who evidently thought me dead, were so terrified that they beat a hasty retreat towards the woods, and so I was obliged to send a couple of bullets after them; and, being an indifferent good shot they did stop, and, unless some good Christian gives them burial, they are likely to stop there for some time."

"You shot them both?" stammered the landlord; and his teeth chattered, and he grew very pale, all but the tip of his nose, which, from contrast with the rest of his face, looked redder than ever.

"What would you have me do?" asked the soldier, in his usual careless tone. "They might have fired with better success at some other poor traveler, who might not have got off so easily as I did."

"What could have possessed them to fire upon you?" exclaimed the landlord, and it almost appeared that he was asking himself the question as much as he did the soldier.

"Precisely the question I asked myself," returned the soldier; "and since you have mentioned the expected arrival of the young baron of Ravensburg, I think I have a clew to the whole affair. Some outlaws, having heard of the baron's journey, have formed a plan to waylay him. These two men were sent forward as scouts, to apprise the others of the baron's approach. Seeing a solitary horseman approach, they [illegible] little on their own account. As I was not molested further on the way hither, the rendezvous of the band must be beyond there, consequently the baron will reach this house in safety. Now, if you cannot accommodate me with a bed, I shall take up my quarters to-night upon this bench, for I feel it my duty to warn this young baron, (for I know something of his family), of the danger which threatens him."

The landlord gazed curiously at his unceremonious guest. There was no mistaking the man. Courage and determination were highly stamped upon his fine-cut features.

"You are an officer?" he said, inquiringly.

"Yes."

"Captain?"

"Exactly."

"Disbanded?"

"No."

The quiet smile that accompanied this answer bewildered the landlord. In fact, the captain was an enigma that the worthy host of the Traveler's Rest found it impossible to solve.

The appearance of the maid of the hostlery, with a flask of wine and the refreshments the captain had ordered, interrupted the conversation.

The host whispered to the girl, and then hurried away.

"What did he say to you?" asked the captain abruptly, fixing his keen eyes upon the girl's face.

"To wait upon you while he went up to the monastery," answered the girl unhesitatingly.

"The monastery?" rejoined the captain, leisurely inspecting the contents of the flask of Rhenish, which seemed to be much to his satisfaction. "That old ruin upon the hill yonder. Is it then occupied?"

"Oh, yes; about a year ago a party of wandering monks, whose monastery had been destroyed by the soldiers of the league, occupied it; and they have remained ever since. They call themselves the Black Brotherhood of St. Bruno. And very pious and self-denying men they are, too. They keep wrapped up in an odor of sanctity all the time. They never hold any communication with the world without; no stranger is ever admitted beneath their walls; and whenever one of the brotherhood comes out, he always has his black cowl drawn closely over his face. Though I have been here as long as they have, I never yet saw one with his face uncovered."

"I thought you said your uncle was going there?" remarked the captain, carelessly sipping his wine.

"Oh! he only goes to the porter's wicket; he never goes in. He supplies the monks with food."

"And how many bottles of this capital wine a month?"

"I am sure I don't know how many, but I know that we have more empty flasks at the end of the week than the number of travelers could possibly have drank."

"I thought so. The close neighborhood of these good monks accounts for the excellence of the wine. St. Bruno, your very good health. Do many travelers pass this way, sweetheart?"

"Not many, and what seems to me very singular," continued the girl, bending towards the captain, and speaking in a low, cautious whisper, "none that pass this way ever return."

"Indeed! What kind of a road is it between this hostlery and the next stopping place?"

"Very lonely and desolate."

"Infested by robbers, eh?"

"I believe so; though my uncle always assures travelers there is no danger."

"Who is your uncle—the landlord?"

"Yes; I am his niece, Bonita, if you please, sir."

"Whether I please or not," good naturedly chucking the girl under the chin, like one accustomed to such familiarity; he caught her quickly around the waist, drew her upon his knee, and imprinted a kiss upon her cherry lips. The girl freed herself from his embraces and retreated in confusion, but she did not seem very angry at the liberty the soldier had taken. It was something to be a handsome captain even in those days.

The sound of approaching wheels now attracted their attention, and a light traveling carriage drawn by two horses, driven by a postillion, and accompanied by four outriders, drove up to the hostlery.

The attendants opened the carriage-door, and a young man in the handsome uniform of Pappenheim's dragoons jumped out and assisted an elegantly attired young lady to alight from the carriage. They were the Baron Ravensburg, colonel in the imperial service, and his sister, the Countess Adalia.

The landlord, who had returned from the monastery, welcomed them, conducted them into the hostlery, while two rough-looking hostlers took charge of the carriage. The outriders stabled their own animals.

The captain had observed all that had passed with a very attentive eye. He had expected a much larger escort. The lady was without a maid, and the baron had but five attendants; and yet the landlord told him there were no accommodations. There was something wrong.

The baron came in from the hostlery, followed by Bonita, bearing a fresh flask of Rhenish.

"Good evening, captain," he said courteously, touching his plumed beaver with a graceful action which bespoke the finished cavalier, "perhaps you will do me the favor to drink this flask of Rhenish with me."

"With all my heart," answered the captain cheerfully, "mine is empty."

The baron seated himself on the bench, and Bonita placed the flask and cups before them. "Stay!" cried the captain, as she was going; "how many monks are there in yonder convent, my [illegible]

"Twenty, I think, captain," she answered.

"Thank you; that will do."

She went into the house. The baron regarded the captain attentively. His question about the monks seemed to surprise him.

"Do you think of retiring from the world, captain!" he laughingly inquired, "and taking up your abode in yonder monastery?"

"I faith, not I." He filled the cups in that careless, off-handed manner, which pervaded everything he did, and raised it to his lips. "Your health, Baron Ravensburg."

"You have the advantage of me," answered Ravensburg, as he responded to the toast.

"Oh! call me Capt. Bernard."

"I passed a dead horse on the road. The landlord tells me it was yours. I also saw the bodies of the men slain by you. A narrow escape, captain. By the way, are you in the imperial service?"

"I am not. To be frank with you, my sword is at present at liberty."

"Then take service with me. There is something in your appearance that bespeaks the gentleman and the soldier, and I like you. There is a majority vacant in my regiment which I can promise you."

"On my word, baron," returned the captain, smiling good humoredly, "you do me much honor on so brief an acquaintance; but we are likely to serve together in a sharp campaign, which is nearer than you imagine. Whether you or I shall take direction of the affair depends upon yourself after you have heard what I have to tell you."

"In Heaven's name what do you mean?" exclaimed Baron Ravensburg in astonishment.

"Softly—in a whisper—there may be long ears about us. In a word we are in a den of cut-throats. Yonder old monastery is occupied by a band of robbers in the disguise of monks. The landlord of this hostlery is in league with them. They have been apprized of your coming, and will either attack you here, or upon the desolate road beyond. As they know that I am here, from the landlord, and may warn you, I should not be surprised if they assailed us here to-night."

"Great Heavens! my poor Adalia! I care not if I can save her. Twenty of them, the girl said—and I have but five men—twenty against six!"

"Excuse me; your calculation is erroneous. There are but eighteen against seven. You have counted two who are killed, and you have not counted me."

"You will aid me, then? My dear captain, this is generous."

"My dear baron, it is nothing of the kind. I merely enter into an alliance with you for our mutual benefit; as you have the strongest party the advantage is decidedly upon my side. You they might possibly plunder and suffer to depart, but me they would certainly kill in revenge for their comrades' slaughter."

"Captain, I place the direction of this affair in your hands—myself and people are at your orders. What is your best course of action?"

"Invite me in to supper with you when the landlord announces that it is served. I will secure him. Then your people must secure the hostlers and put them in a safe place. Then collect your whole force into the house, and let us barricade it to the best of our ability. Eighteen men will find it difficult to dislodge seven, even out of this small wooden framework. Having deprived the robbers of all means of obtaining information in regard to our plans, I will make the landlord divulge theirs. You have no idea what a persuasive way I have."

This plan was carried out to the letter, and a pistol held by the firm hand of the captain at the head of the guilty and trembling landlord compelled him to divulge all. The baron and his sister were to be held for ransom, and the captain killed, he not being considered worth a ransom. When all had retired to rest, the landlord was to admit the robbers into the hostlery.

The captain laid his plans at once. The front door was left unfastened, but every other available aperture was secured as firmly as was possible under the circumstances. The countess and Bonita were placed in the upper story for security, with the postillion as a guard. The captain, baron, and the others, each armed with a sword and a brace of pistols, occupied the large apartment on the ground-floor. The landlord was to admit the robbers one at a time, as had been arranged by the captain of the band himself, and, as fast as they entered, they were to be secured, gagged and bound, or killed outright, as circumstances warranted.

The hour for the attack drew near, and every heart beat anxiously. The coolest man of the party was the captian. Unconsiously, he had assumed entire direction of the affair, and the young baron and his followers obeyed him implicitly, seeming to recognize his fitness for the position without question.

A stealthy footstep approached the door, and the landlord, assisted by the cold barrel of a pistol, which felt disagreeably close to the back of his head, admitted a robber, who was instantly secured. Another followed, and another, until it came to the eighth—a stout, brawny fellow—who, by a herculean effort, twisted his throat out of Capt. Barnard's grasp, and shouted at the top of his lungs.

"We are betrayed!"

Two other robbers, who were close behind, discharged their carbines in at the door, and instantly retreated. A yell of pain answered the discharge, and one man fell in the hostlery. The door was instantly shut and barricaded. Lights were brought forward, and the man who had fallen was raised. It proved to be the landlord. He was quite dead, both bullets having taken effect in his body.

[illegible] advanced in a body against the door, attempting to hew it open with axes which they had procured from the stables. They were met with a fusilade of pistol shots that thinned them to one-half before they had forced the door, and then it was the besieged that sallied forth, and not they that entered. The survivors of the band fled.

The fight was over. Fifteen of the band were killed, wounded, and prisoners. The prisoners were treated with the summary justice of military time, being shot at sunrise by the baron's followers.

The baron and his sister renewed their journey in the morning, being attended by Capt. Bernard, whom the baron furnished with a horse by dismounting one of his own followers, and Bonita, whom the countess had engaged as maid.

The captain left the baron at the first stopping-place. They parted with mutual expressions of regret. But they were destined to meet again. On the bloody field of Lutzeno, when Pappenheim fell and his routed cavalry fled in dismay before the impetuous charge of the Swedse, Ravensburg was made prisoner. He was led before the victor of the well-fought field, Bernard Van Weimar, who had assumed command of the Protestant army on the fall of Gustavus Adolphus, and in the brave soldier and skillful general he recognized Capt. Bernard, the destroyer of the Black Brotherhood.

The Grave of Humboldt.

We rode to Humboldt's grave the other day. I don't know that pilgrims can properly ride in droskies, or I should say we made a pilgrimage there. It is a few miles from the city, and in a lovely spot, surrounded with evergreen trees. In the inclosure, where rest the two brothers and some other members of their family, is a statue of Hope, by Thorwaldsen, surmounting a tall marble column; and everything around seems suitable and fitting. The names are on the column, and the grave of Alexander von Humboldt has a simple and very small headstone, with his name thereon. One has to leave the carriage road to find the grave, and our driver, who did not know exactly where the spot was, stopped a peasant who passing and asked him if he knew where the grave of Humboldt was. You should have seen the look of utter ignorance on the man's face as he turned to us, repeating the name "Humboldt?" and then, as if possible he might find out, he asked: "*What was his first name?*" And this was within a stone's throw of the spot where rested the remains of the great German scholar, the great world scholar!—*German Correspondent, Commonwealth.*

Giving.

There is a pompous way of giving. There is giving so that everybody is attracted to see it. It is made to be a great thing. But the injunction of the apostle is that everybody that gives shall give with simplicity. What is giving with simplicity? Why, it is giving just as if giving was so natural that when a man gave he did not think of countenances, his manners, or his air; but did it quietly, easily, and beautifully.

When you are going around for proper help, some men give you so that you are angry every time you ask them to contribute. They give so that their gold and silver shoot you like a bullet. Other persons give with such beauty that you remember as long as you live; and you say it is a pleasure to go to such men."

There are some men that give as springs do. Whether you go to them or not, they are always full; and your part is merely to put your dish under the ever-flowing stream. Others give just as a pump does, when the well is dry, and the pump leaks.—*Beecher.*

Eighteen hundred and odd years have not sufficed to free the Christian world from Pagan superstitions. The goddess Fortune, and the Fates and Furies, are still believed in, it would seem, by thousands of us. No temples, it is true, are erected to the one—no lustrations performed to avert the vengeance of the others, but the soothsayers and augurs of Rome were not listened to with greater credulity by the worshippers of the pagan gods of Olympus, than are clairvoyants, psychologists, biologists, and ordinary fortune-tellers by multitudes of gaping Christians in this wonderful nineteenth century. We smile at the guilibility of the Central Africans who insist that their "rain doctors" can open the windows of heaven, yet how many there are in this metropolis who go to advertising charlatans, instead of to the police, for information about lost or stolen property. While we are arriving to convert the distant heathen, would it not be well to try our hand at doing away with pagan delusions nearer home? There is some excuse for the superstitions of the untaught savage, but none for those of the man or woman who has received a Christian education.

No expression that we are acquainted with grates so harshly on our ears as that of "the old man," when it comes from the lips of a son speaking of a father. The person who habitually uses the expression is either intimate with low characters, or he does not feel that respect and deference due from a son to a parent. In excuse it is said, 'tis but a joke, and means nothing. If so, it were better not to joke on such a subject, but use some expression that does mean something.

Pursuit after that for which we are not fitted, and to which, consequently, we are not in reality inclined, is a folly which pervades, more or less, all classes, and arises from the error of building our enjoyment on the false foundation of the world's opinion, instead of being, with due regard to others each [illegible]

AGRICULTURAL.

Implements and Machinery for Use on Farms.

Within the past thirty years there has been a great improvement in the construction of farm implements and machinery. New machines have been invented, all farm implements greatly improved, and there is now no excuse for farmers to be without a good set of tools and all necessary machinery with which to conduct their business. But farmers, as a class, are very slow to avail themselves of the aid afforded by machinery, and here may be found one reason for their want of success. The manufacturer, who should have all his work performed by hand, would at once fall far behind one who used improved machinery—he could not compete with him even for a single month. In a less degree, the same is true of the farmer. It is only the man who seizes upon all the aids afforded by machinery, and placed within his reach, that can stand high and find the greatest amount of pleasure and profit in his department of labor. Machinery costs something to be sure, but its use enables the farmer to perform his work easier and better, and either saves the employment of much hired help or enables him to conduct a much larger business. But it is not only important to have machinery, but also to get the best in the market. There are so many different patterns of all kinds of machines, that it is often difficult to tell which will give the best satisfaction. It will pay to inquire of farmers who have used machines how they like them, and also to examine their work. On no account, buy what you know, or have good reason to believe, is a second-rate machine, even though you can buy it cheap. Get those machines, and only those, which are likely not only to do the work well, but also to prove durable. If you need any machines this season we should advise you not to wait till after the great trials which are expected to take place, but buy as soon as you find a pattern that suits you, and that has a good reputation. If you do this you will be sure of having your machines when you want to use them, while if you wait to find out which is the successful competitor, there will be such a demand for them you may fail to obtain one. Next in importance to obtaining good implements comes the proper care of them. We know farmers who let their plows, wagons, horse-rakes, and mowing machines stand out doors all winter. This not only looks slovenly, but is decidedly unprofitable. A wagon or machine is not injured as much by decent use in three years as by standing out in the storms of one winter. When not in use, all farming tools ought to be kept under cover. They should be repaired as soon as they get out of order; a little attention at the right time is cheaper and pleasanter than a break down when you are in the hurry. Mowing machines, wagons, and carts, when used, ought to be often oiled, and always kept from the rain. And now, if you have or buy good tools, and take good care of them, you will be in a condition to make your labor easy, pleasant, and profitable.—*Rural American.*

Salt in Fatting Swine.

A correspondent states some interesting experiments to test the use of salt in fattening swine. He selected two pairs of barrow hogs, weighing two hundred pounds apiece. One pair received with their daily allowance of food, two ounces of salt; the other pair, similarly fed, none. In the course of a week it was easily seen that the salted pair had a much stronger appetite than the others, and after a fortnight it was increased to two ounces apiece. After four months, the weight of the salted pair was three hundred and fifty pounds each, while that of the unsalted pair, five weeks later, reached only three hundred pounds. The experiment was repeated with almost the same results. The correspondent feeds young pigs, according to their age, a quarter of an ounce daily; breeding sows very little during pregnancy, and during the heat of summer withholds it in a degree from all, as it induces thirst and a liability to disease.

Animals of all kinds require the farmer's attention during August as much as any other month; that is, a lack of needed care is just as injurious. See that all have pure water—if possible, running water—always within reach. Change pastures often enough so that none shall get very short, and provide extra feed of corn, grass, oats, etc., cut green and wilted before feeding, if there is any failure of pasturage. Feed and water working cattle and horses well, regularly, and give regular rest. Take care of harness or yoke galls, bathing with cold water and shifting the harness, paddling it, or the yokes of cattle.

Sheep have a competitor as to profit to the farmer; a farmer gives his experience, by which it seems that he made thirty per cent profit, while he made one hundred and seventy per cent profit in six months from his poultry.

A Pennsylvania farmer makes a strong case in favor of oxen. He claims that they will do as much work as horses, eat less grain, require less expensive harness, can be geared in half the time, and can be managed more safely by boys.

Plowing one or more furrows on each side of your fence posts, so as to raise a ridge one foot high, and save one board on the fence, is recommended by a farmer.

It is a good plan to cut weeds and make manure of them, but they should always be cut before the seeds have ripened, or they may spread themselves over the farm.

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We were much amused a short time since by an anecdote of the late Judge Mullott, formerly of Fredonia, which we do not remember to have seen in print: An important case was in progress in the supreme court at Buffalo, Judge Mullett presiding. On the part of the plaintiff very numerous and able counsel had been retained, and Millard Fillmore, at that time vice president of the United States, was also assisting. The attorney for the defendant alluded in his speech to the extraordinary array of counsel, "And," added he, "not satisfied with the able and brilliant corps of advocates already retained, the plaintiff has brought from Washington the vice president of the United States, the right bower of them all?" Fillmore, who sat on the platform with the clerk and just in front of Judge Mullett, either because he did not know the meaning of the term "right bower," or desired to feign ignorance, said, in a low tone, "The right bower! what's that?" Judge Mullett saw an opening for a good joke and sailed in. "The right bower," said he in an audible whisper, *why it is the biggest knave in the pack!*"—*Chatauqua Democrat.*

The Amador (Cal.) Ledge says: A few days ago an Irishman left Copperpolis for San Andreas, or some other "very fine place," with his carpet sack upon his back, and, when about five miles on his way, was met by a "road-agent" who demanded his money. Pat immediately dropped his pack on the ground and sat down on it, and thus addressed the man; "Holy Virgin, yez must be plenty along this road; I've only come five miles this morning and this is the fourth time I've been stopped and axed for me money." "Is that so?" asked the highwayman. "By me soul it's the gospel truth," replied Pat. "Well, then, you had better proceed on your way; it wouldn't pay to go through you now." Pat shouldered his carpet bag, and they were about to separate when he turned round and said—"Have ye ivor sich a thing about you as a match to light me pipe wid?" He was supplied with one, and the two separated. The Irishman had five hundred dollars in gold coin in his bundle, and by this piece of shrewdness saved his money.

There is an old tale, of which, though idle in itself, the use may be good. A certain man, who would never go to church, when he heard the saint's bell, would say to his wife, "Go thou to church, and pray for thee and me." One night he dreamed that both he and his wife were dead, and that they knocked together at heaven's gate for entrance. St. Peter (by the legend) is the porter, and suffered the wife to enter in, but kept the husband out, answering him, "She is gone in both for herself and thee. As thy wife went to church for thee, so she must go to heaven for thee."

The Portland Argus feelingly observes: "It is a melancholy fact that the assistant editor perished in the recent great fire. He had long been connected with *The Argus* and was rather a sharp fellow. His name was shears."

"Daughter," said a fond mother, whom the oil speculation had made aristocratic, "has Mr. Brown proposed yet?" "Yes, ma," exclaimed the daughter; "he proposed that we go down this evening and get some raw oysters."

A letter was recently dropped into the post office addressed as follows: "Hill A Massachusetts." After a good deal of study, one of the clerks managed to make out that it was intended for "A. Underhill, Andover, Mass."

A recent lecturer on common law says that, according to the code, "a woman when she married lost her identity, her distinctive character, and was like a dew drop swallowed by a sunbeam."

"Mike," said a bricklayer to his hodman, "if you meet Patrick, tell him to make haste, as we are waiting for him." "Sure and I will," replied Mike; "but what will I tell him if I don't mate him?"

A lady meeting a girl who had lately left her service, inquired, "Well, Mary, where do you live now?" "Please, ma'am, I don't live anywhere now," rejoined the girl; "I'm married."

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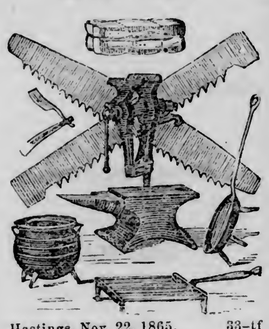

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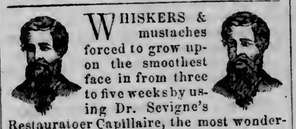

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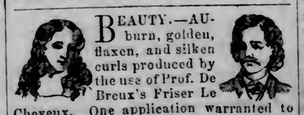

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

THE RIVER.—The late rains have raised the water upwards of three feet, permitting the large boats to pass over the bars once more. It looks pleasant to behold, and we hope it will continue the balance of the season.

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CHOLERA.—Several cases of cholera morbhus occurred on the *Canada* on her trip up, occasioned from eating of green apples, etc., by the crew and passengers. Two were buried in La Crosse and six at Reed's Landing. The boat was telegraphed yesterday by our city officials, and went by without landing.

HOUDIN.—ROBERT HOUDIN, the celebrated prestidigitateur, visits this city on Thursday evening next, when he will give his first entertainment at Teutonia Hall. As will be seen by programmes, his feats are numerous and surprising, any one of which being well worth the money. Admission 25 cents. Reserved seats 75 cents, to be obtained at STANLEY's book store. No doubt he will have a full house.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Regular meeting, Aug. 11th, 1866. Present Mayor Finch and Alds. Latto, Rich, and Strauss.

The bounty tax against John Kennedy, $17.42, and Henry Heatherington, $16.49, was remitted.

The following bills were allowed;

J. A. Morton,	city clerk,	$37.50
Andrew Helin,	street cleaning,	14.87
Jas Fahey	" "	8.75
Jas. Carroll,	" "	20.00
Pat. Keny,	" "	7.87

Four bids were received for painting fence around the public square, and the contract will be awarded at the next meeting.

Adjourned one week.

PERSONAL.—The Hon. IGNATIUS DONNELLY, M. C. from this district, and family arrived home on Saturday last, and are, we presume, by this time comfortably settled in the big house in Nininger. Whether the late rise in the Cannon and Zumbro rivulets had anything to do with his return is a matter of conjecture, which we leave to others to determine. We understand that a few of his friends intend giving him a reception at Teutonia Hall this evening.

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Canada	45	50

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HASTINGS, August 14, 1866.

WHEAT, per bushel,	130a35
FLOUR, per sack,	4 50
CORN, per bushel,	60a65
OATS, do	30a40
RYE, do	45a50
BARLEY, do	35a40
POTATOES,	90a100
BEANS, do	1 00a1 10
ONIONS, do	1 00a1 20
HAY, per ton,	10 00a12 00
WOOD, green, per cord,	4 25a4 50
WOOD, dry, do	5 50a6 00
SALT, fine, per bbl	3 75a4 00
SALT, solar, do	4
NAILS, per lb 10 per keg	9 00
BUTTER, per lb	20a25
CHEESE, Minnesota, per lb	20a25
CHEESE, Hamburg, do	28a30
EGGS, per dozen,	15a20
PORK, fresh, per cwt,	10 00a11 00
PORK, salt, per lb,	15a20
BEEF, fresh, do	8a12
HAMS, Minnesota, per lb	20a25
HAMS, canvassed, do	28a30
APPLES, green, per barrel,	6 50a7 50
APPLES, dried, per lb,	25
PEACHES, dried, do	30a35
BLACKBERRIES, dried,	50a60
SUGARS, dark brown ⅌ lb	11
SUGARS, fair do do	13a14
SUGARS, prime, do do	14a16
SUGARS, powd. chged & grannulated	22a25
MOLASSES, plantation, per gall	80a1 25
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United States stock	842,277 25
Real estate, unincumbered	90,359 05
State stock	497,690 00
New York bank stocks	794,170 00
Hartford bank stocks	270,810 00
Miscellaneous bank stocks	129,000 00
Railroad stocks, etc	273 067 50
Mortgage bonds, city, county, & R. R.	1,011,136 66
Total	$4,075,830 55

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Losses unadjusted and not due	$221,236 35

Net, $3,854,594 20.

Income for last year (net)	$2,933,399 94
or a daily income of say $9,300.	
Losses and expenses for same time	$2,541,294 30
Total losses paid in forty-seven years	$19,127,410 56
viz. Fire, $17,243,000.99. Inland, $1,884,409.07.	
Government and state taxes paid	$179,178 34

LOSS BY PORTLAND FIRE.

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The state of Minnesota to the above named defendant, Eliza Blackmore:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in this action which complaint is filed with the clerk of the district court of Dakota County, in his office, in said county and state, and serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint upon the subscriber at his office in the city of Hastings, county of Dakota and state aforesaid, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in this complaint.

Dated, June 28th, 1866.

L. VAN SLYCK, Atty. for plff.,
12-6w Hastings, Minn.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Dakota—ss.

The state of Minnesota to Nathan Jones, defendant.

You are hereby summoned to be and appear before the undersigned, one of the justices of the peace in and for said county, on the fourth day of September, a. d. 1866, at one o'clock in the afternoon at my office in the city of Hastings, in said county, to answer to Francis B. Etheridge in a civil action. Should you fail to appear at the time and place aforesaid judgment will be rendered against you upon the evidence adduced by said Francis B. Etheridge for such sum as he shall show himself entitled to.

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Arrive Faribault	12. 50 p. m.	8. 45 p. m.

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Leave Faribault	1. 40 p. m.	6. 00 a. m.
Leave Mendota	5. 05 p. m.	10.00 a. m.
Arrive Minneapolis	5. 45 p, m.	10,40 a. m.

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D. C. SHEPARD,
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Minneapolis, May 10, 1866. 11-tf

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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1866.

County Convention.

The electors of Dakota County, who subscribe to the principles of the great union party, and to the call for a state convention, are invited to send delegates to a county convention to be held in Teutonia Hall, Hastings, on Saturday, Sept. 15th, 1866, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing seven delegates to the state and congressional conventions, to be held in St. Paul on the Wednesday and Thursday following.

The several towns will be entitled to delegates as follows, based upon the republican vote for governor last fall:

Burnsville	1	Lebanon	1
Castle Rock	2	Marshan	1
Douglas	1	Mendota	1
Eagan	1	Nininger	2
Empire City	2	Randolph	1
Eureka	2	Ravenna	1
Greenvale	1	Rosemount	1
Hampton	1	Sciota	1
Hastings	10	Vermillion	1
Inver Grove	2	Waterford	2
Lakeville	2	West St. Paul	2

It is recommended that the several town committees hold their caucusses on Thursday evening previous, at the usual places of holding elections, so far as practicable.

Per order of county committee
IRVING TODD, Chairman.

Hastings, Aug. 21, 1866.

The Philadelphia Convention.

The farce is over. The great event which was to completely revolutionize public opinion, and to work a radical change in the political status of our nation, is numbered among the things that were. Dix and Raymond, Randall and Doolittle, have had their say, and the delegates from the several states have had the satisfaction of occupying seats in the wigwam and voting aye in response to their names, or not at all. Never has a large gathering been better managed. The work was all done in the committee room, all debate was cut off, and the mass of the convention had no more to do with the result of the deliberations than the veriest doorkeeper without. The discordant elements, the slumbering fires that waited but an opportunity to burst forth and destroy, were kept down by the hand of the master, and all was necessarily harmonious. So far it was a success. But, as a great expression of the people, or even of the men who were there as delegates, it was the most stupendous failure on record, far greater than that of Chicago, which voted the war a failure, etc. The people understand the subject well, and will not be humbugged by this or any similar movement.

The New York Evening Post says that there is an attempt made to establish a secret political society by the Johnsonites, and that postmasters in that state are furnished a private circular directing them, if they endorse the president—if they don't, of course they loose their office—to return five dollars for a charter, and they will be appointed deputies in their respective districts. One man to whom a copy was sent had the courage to furnish it for publication, and thus the thing was exposed.

A French gentleman asked a Hungarian friend in Paris whether the time had not come when Hungary could avenge herself on Austria? "Ah *mon cher*," replied M. de S——, "we have had our revenge; we have given Austria Benedek." The general, it seems, is a Hungarian, and fought against his country in 1848.

Among other changes made by the general statutes of this state is one which requires notaries to have their commissions recorded in the office of the clerk of the district court of the county where they reside, in order that their official acts may be recognized and attested.

The delegates to the late conglomerate convention at Philadelphia have nearly all departed from that city. A few remain to assist Clymer in his defeat in the race for governor of Pennsylvania. The southern delegates are said to be abundantly satisfied with the results of the convention.

The sum called for by the army paymasters for the last bi-monthly payment was $2,750,000. Two years ago, when the army was in full operation, the amount required for the same period was thirty millions.

Three English women, sisters, have increased her Majesty's subjects to the extent of sixty individuals.

MINNESOTA NEWS.

ANOKA COUNTY.

From The Anoka Star, 16th.

The farmers are again in good spirits, as the weather is again pleasant. They informed us that the last wet weather has done serious damage to the wheat and oats, that were cut before the rainy spell, but they are in hopes that the clear weather, since Monday, will bring them out all right.

Our sportsmen are having gay times hunting prairie chickens, since the game law run out. We have noticed several hunters coming into town loaded down with these birds of the prairie. They are very plenty on the prairies around us. Ducks are also very plenty in the lakes and marshes.

BLUE EARTH COUNTY.

From The Mankato Union, 10th.

It was rumored on the street that J. N. Hall, esq., had been relieved of the collector ship, and Col. Ball, of Winona, appointed in his place. We learned that the change had not yet taken place, but in all probability it will in a few days.

On last Friday a little child five years of age, the daughter of Mr. Savage, who lives four miles from Mankato on the agency road, was severely bitten by a rattlesnake above the ankle on the right foot. Dr. Zenepolski was called to administer an antidote, and the child is now improving.

A young man named Nicholas Keltigan was drowned in the forenoon of Wednesday of this week, in attempting to cross the Minnesota on horse back. He lived in the town of Belgrade, Nicollet County, and had crossed into town safely, and was returning after doing some errands at the stores.

CARVER COUNTY.

From The Carver Independent, 10th.

There are serious fears entertained that the late heavy rains will materially damage the crops in the valley, as we learn that the grain was prostrated, and much damaged by being beaten down in the mud.

Business during the past week has been comparatively dull. Our farmers are so busy harvesting that very few of them come into town, and, as a consequence, the merchants are having a little leisure.

The river has risen ten feet, and boats can now run to Mankato. There is yet a large amount of wheat up the valley awaiting shipment, and we expect to see a large fleet of boats next week. The Cutter came up last Tuesday evening, and did not remain at the levee over an hour. We hope this rise will give Capt. Davidson a chance to clear up the freight.

CHISAGO COUNTY.

From The Taylor's Falls Reporter, 11th.

The Chippewa lords and ladies of the forest can yet be seen prowling around our streets. But, thank a kind Providence, their visits are becoming rarer, and, with the speedy exit of the traffic in their accursed fire water from our midst, their presence will be accounted among "the things that were, but are not." God speed the day.

These topics—the weather, crops, etc.—in the manner in which they have conducted themselves, are provocative of much discussion and some discouragement. The now prevailing cool weather, for there proved to be a limit to heat even, is a vast relief from the stifling heat and dust which predominated for so long. All animate and inanimate things now rejoice. There were numerous cool refreshing showers during the first of the week, but they came too late, we fear, to remedy the damage already incurred by the drouth. All kinds of spring grain, corn, potatoes, etc., have, we are pained to write, suffered almost irreparably, and many of them must verge close on failure. It is curious that this will only apply to this immediate region, while from around about us on all sides comes the now doubly tantalizing reports of rich and abundant harvests. The recent rains will improve this aspect of affairs to a considerable extent. The bountiful good fortune of lumbermen is an offset to the effects of the drouth, and the great redeeming feature in our financial prospects. With logs at the present prices we can quite comfortably abide one discouraging dispensation. There yet remain within a few miles of this place, and almost within reach of the market, many million feet of logs, ready to be floated in on the first sufficient rise. The lumbermen are now engaged in building dams on the tributaries above here, and are quite sanguine of getting them into market. If the logs should reach the market this fall it would be a tendency in a great measure to relieve any stringency in the money market consequent upon a partial failure of the crops.

DOUGLAS COUNTY.

We regret to learn that the small pox is prevailing to a somewhat alarming extent at Holmes City, in the western part of Douglas County, in this state. Some twelve or more families have been afflicted with the disease, and one death has occurred. It was supposed to be communicated from the clothing of some Swedish emigrants, who had recently arrived from Europe, and located in that vicinity.—*St. Cloud Times.*

DODGE COUNTY.

From The Mantorville Express, 10th.

It is impossible to tell the damage to the crop, just ready to be harvested, these heavy rains have occasioned; but it must be great. One thing is favorable; there was little or no wind during the rain to lodge the grain. It is disheartening to farmers to see a harvest of so great promise commenced with such a drawback.

Last week Mr. J. E. Porter's mill dam gave way some twenty feet, and the rain of this week has finished its destruction. This is a serious loss to Mr. Porter, as he has only finished repairing the dam after its break last spring. Mr. Adams' dam has also given way, some thirty or forty feet east of the principal abutment, thus forming a new channel in part, that had directed the heaviest current from the bridge, and this circumstance alone has saved our bridge, which has suffered considerably, as one of the abutments is nearly half washed away, making it unsafe for heavy teams to cross. The loss of these dams will be felt at this time, as help is so scarce, every hand being needed in the harvest field.

FILLMORE COUNTY.

From The Preston Republican, 3d.

Harvesting has commenced in some sections of the country, though it will not be general until about the 10th. There is every prospect for a good yield, and farmers feel jubilant.

Five horses were killed in the town of Sumner by a single stroke of lightning on Thursday morning last. Two of them were owned by Mr. C. M. Colby, and the remaining three by Mr. E. Woolridge.

The owner of the horse brought here by the man whom Sheriff Lipe arrested, and confined in jail, on suspicion, has arrived. He resides near Winnebago City, and fully identifies his property. The examination was held yesterday. The prisoner will undoubtedly be elected to the Stillwater house of correction without opposition.

Lieut. Gen. Sherwood was in town last week in company with G. A. Hayes, esq. From them we learn that the railroad is being pushed forward as rapidly as possible toward Rushford, to which place it is thought the road will be finished this fall. The entire line of the road has been temporarily laid, in order to secure the land grant, and the plat has been filed. Preston is made a point on the road, and the prospect for securing a road through this place is more encouraging than it has been at any previous time. It is thought that the engineer and his corps will begin to survey westward from Rushford the last of this week or the first of next.

GOODHUE COUNTY.

From The Goodhue County Republican, 11th.

On Monday evening there was an encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic organized in this place.

The base ball club that was organized, some two or three months since, is in a flourishing condition, and the members are fast becoming proficients in this manly exercise. We believed regular evenings for practice is Tuesday of each week. In their practice, last week, we noticed our sheriff had the right swing to his club, and could get over the ground, after a hit, as lively as the liveliest.

As far as we can learn, the farmers throughout the county are making the best of the fine weather we are now having, in harvesting their crops. The late severe storms, although it stayed operations somewhat, did no serious damage in this section. Minnesota, at some future day, is bound to be one of the first states in the Union for small grain. Her quality is the best and her quantity is increasing. It has been truly said, "We never yet had a failure in our crops."

From The Red Wing Argus, 16th.

Mr. A. F. Graves has handed us a hen's egg, the product of Benville Moser's hen-yard, which is more egg than we ever saw in one shell before. It measures 6¾ inches in circumference by 8¾ inches the long way, and weighs five ounces.

At an adjourned term of the circuit court, held on Tuesday, Judge McClure presiding, Robert Deakin and E. J. Hodgson, esqs., were admitted to practice. The examining committee was Judge Crosby, of Hastings, and the Hon. W. W. Phelps and Col. Wm. Colvill, of Red Wing. Both the gentlemen passed the examination very creditably. Mr. Hodgson is a young man, but lately a resident of Red Wing, who has studied his profession under the best lawyers of a neighboring county. Mr. Deakin is well known through the county as the judge of probate. His many friends will be pleased to note that he has entered upon the profession.

HENNEPIN COUNTY.

From The State Atlas, 15th.

The falls have been rapidly wearing away for years, owing to the action of the water on the strata of sandstone underneath the rocks. To prevent further encroachments of the kind, measures are being taken to attach suitable aprons to carry the water to a point where it can do no harm.

We inadvertently omitted, in our last issue, to mention the finding of David S. Yardley's body, and the funeral services. The body was washed ashore near the residence of Mrs. Thornton, on Saturday, the 4th inst., and the funeral services held in the grove, near the west shore of Lake Harriet, on Sunday, the 5th, Rev. Mr. Tuttle delivering the discourse.

The weather last week was very unfavorable for our farmers, and the grain that was cut and not secured before the rains commenced must have been materially injured. We are happy to learn that but very little was thus exposed, and with a continuance of the present sunshine for a few days all will be well.

The Rev. S. Barnes, who for years has been the pastor of the Universalist Church in St. Anthony, died very suddenly on last Sunday morning of heart disease. In attempting to rise from his couch he fell back and expired. His funeral was largely attended yesterday afternoon. Mr. Barnes had long been a resident of St. Anthony, was a true and consistent Christian, and was universally beloved.

Mr. Blowers, of Brooklyn, left with us last week a fine specimen of flax, grown on his farm this season. The stalks are three feet in height, and well headed, and he informs us they are fair specimens of the field. It was sown on low ground. Some of his neighbors planted on high ground and the crop is a failure. Now that it is demonstrated that flax can be grown in this vicinity, we presume that our farmers will cultivate it extensively.

To-day the track of the Central will be completed to Owatonna, and the cars running to that point. The officers of the road have displayed commendable energy in prosecuting the good work, sparing neither time nor money in hurrying it to completion, and it will be finished to the state line as soon as it is possible to do it. Under able management, the road is doing an immense business—trains running on time, no accidents, and carrying all the freight their facilities will admit of. New cars are constantly being put on the track from the magnificent shops of the company at this place, but still they are unable to meet the demand for transportation. They are straining every nerve, however, and will soon be prepared to carry all freight offering. The importance of the Minnesota Central to Minneapolis can hardly be overestimated.

From The Minneapolis Chronicle, 18th.

We are glad to learn that the benefit given by the Templeton troupe at the theatre on Monday night to Benjamin Franklin, the unfortunate legless and armless soldier, was a perfect success. The house was crowded, and about $300 netted to him. Great credit reflects upon this troupe for their liberality. We learn that over $600 has been given this poor cripple by the generous citizens of Minneapolis. Capt. Davy has done a good work in taking him around.

We do not know where or how the numerous visitors now in our city could spend a few hours more agreeably or instructively than in visiting our sunday schools, of which there are ten in our city. They are all conducted with a great deal of enterprise, and with a view to interest, as well as to instruct; the most interesting feature being the singing, of which most of them make a speciality, employing teachers for that purpose. We have probably the largest school in this state,—the Methodist, numbering 350 scholars with an average attendance of 225. The next is the Congregational with a membership of 250 and an average attendance of 165. The Episcopalian ranks next with a membership of about 225 and an average attendance of 175. We do not know the exact number of the other seven, but think they average a membership of 100 with an average of about seventy five regular attendants. This gives us a total of 1525 sunday school scholars, and nearly 1200 regular attendants.

A bit of paper called "a satisfactory of a mortgage," was filed to-day at the register's office. It stated that a mortgage upon the property of the St. Anthony Falls Water Power Company for $150,000.00, had been this day paid off and satisfied. Fred. Scuebardt, of New York, owned the mortgage.—*Cor. Press, 28th.*

HOUSTON COUNTY.

From The Houston County Journal, 14th.

The weather has been quite lowery for the past week, and the wheat crop considerably damaged thereby.

On Monday night of the 6th inst., after continued rains for several days, the clouds seemed to gather in the vicinity of Newburg, some twenty miles west of here, in so dense a form as to pour out one of the most remarkable rains that has ever been witnessed. The little stream known as Wisell's Creek was swollen into the dimensions of a river, sweeping mills, dwellings, fences, grain, stock, and farming implements, over what has been known before as lands that never overflowed, and crashing through the timber that bordered the stream, in the most fearful possible confusion. The family of Mr. Wisell, consisting of the old gentleman, his wife, daughter in-law, a little boy, and Mr. and Mrs. Brase, of Burr Oak, Iowa, were all drowned, except the young Mrs. Wisell, who was borne some eight miles down the stream, upon the bed in which she had been sleeping, when she effected her escape over driftwood, scarcely able to tell how. The residence of Mr. Wellington, situated about a half mile below that of Mr. Wisell, was also swept away, and Mr. and Mrs. Wellington and a grandson—the son of Mr. Gage of this place—were drowned. The body of Mr. Wellington was found some four miles below his place, and that of Mrs. Wellington, with her grandson clasped in her arms, was found in the ruins of the house, which had been carried but a short distance from its foundation. About eight below the place of Mr. Wellington a Norwegian family of eight persons is missing, and, as three bodies have been recognized as belonging to the family, it is supposed that they were all drowned. On Riceford Creek, about two miles below the village of Riceford, Mrs. McCabe and two children were also lost, one of the bodies not being recovered at last accounts.

MOWER COUNTY.

From The Mower County Register, 9th.

The extent of the damage done we are unable to state now, as communication with the outer world is effectually closed. About one hundred head of sheep, belonging to Mr. Crane, who resides a mile north of this village, were swept away on Monday night, and most of them lost. Mr. Crane and a boy, in attempting to recover them with a boat, were upset and came near being drowned. The crops of wheat and oats, which were just ready to harvest, will be damaged considerably, but how much, it is impossible to tell at present, as a few days of sunshine may enable the farmers to secure much that will otherwise be lost.

NICOLLET COUNTY.

From The St. Peter Advertiser, 13th.

Mr. Jacob Gleason's new academy will be finished about the middle of August. It will be a nice structure, and an ornament to the town.

At an adjourned meeting of the Le Sueur County Agricultural Society, the county fair to be held in October was located at this place. Work on the grounds will be commenced at once, to get the grounds ready by the time the fair is to be held.

From The St. Peter Tribune, 8th.

We are informed that a gymnasium has been organized by the Turners of this place, and that all the necessary arrangements for a complete institution of that kind are being rapidly perfected.

The boats at the upper and lower ferries at Le Sueur were sunk during the heavy rains on Monday afternoon. The holds of the boats becoming filled with water, these useful structures concluded to take a dive as security against further damage.

Bishop Grace, of St. Paul, officiated at the Roman Catholic church in this place on Tuesday morning. The church building is being improved, and the society will soon have an elegant as well as comfortable place of worship. We are informed a number of applicants for membership were confirmed yesterday by the bishop.

We regret to learn that much of the grain cut before the rain is already sprouting. We have been shown specimens from M. L. French's farm which are badly sprouted, and it is said that two thirds of the grain cut and standing in the field is ruined. We fear this will inflict a damage upon our farmers amounting to many thousands of dollars.

We have had no mail from St. Paul since Saturday, and are therefore without late news. No eastern mail has reached us by the Mankato route, but it has arrived promptly by the Owatonna and St. Peter stage. On this route there never has been a failure—a fact which establishes its superiority beyond a doubt. We hope the department will accede to the earnest wishes of the people of the Upper Minnesota, and establish a daily mail between these two points. It would be a great public benefit.

We are informed by Evan Bowen, esq., of Butternut Valley, that many fields of wheat in that vicinity will yield at least forty bushels to the acre. In this county there are many fields which will yield this amount, if appearances are not very deceptive. The stalks in some fields measure over six feet in length showing an unparalleled growth, and stand in a thick heavy mass upon the ground. Such spots are bound to show a rich return to the farmer.

We regret to learn that the grain in the fields on the New Ulm road has been crushed to the ground by the heavy rain and wind on Monday morning. With pleasant weather hereafter the bulk of the crop can be saved to the farmer, but at the cost of much additional labor and trouble in harvesting. When the season was so unusally favorable to the agricultural interests of the country, it seems a serious misfortune to have the magnificent crops leveled to the earth just as they were fairly ripened for the reapers.

A drunken driver upset a stage coach near Shakopee on the the 8th inst., spilling out all the passengers, and seriously bruising Mr. and Mrs. Horner, of Cincinnati, Mr. John Lux, of St. Peter, and a Swede woman.

OLMSTEAD COUNTY.

From The Rochester Post, 11th.

Rochester, with a population of three thousand, has seven churches already built or in process of erection, besides three religious societies that have no places of worship, though one of these, the Roman Catholic, has a church building in contemplation.

The news from all over the state is that there is going to be a big rush of folks, on the occasion of the fair. As to the editors, they are just the kind of stock we want to see; and we have no doubt the committee would provide a special coop for them, if that would be any inducement.

Never since the the days of Noah has the faith of farmers been put to so severe a trial as in the raising of this in-coming crop of wheat. A very late spring, a protracted drouth succeeding seed time, threatenings of destruction by all the hereditary enemies of the crop—hot weather and wet weather combined have all, in turn, produced serious apprehensions in the minds of the farming community as to the final result.

We dwellers on the Zumbro expect that stream to get on a cold water spree about once a year, but we have just been favored, for the first time, with a second freshet in a single season. The heavy rain of Sunday and Monday nights began to affect the river about midnight of Monday and it rose more rapidly than has ever before been known. From about four o'clock till about seven on Tuesday morning, the river rose with great rapidity, overflowing the whole bottom, and old settlers say that south of College Street it was two feet or more higher than in 1859, which was the highest water ever before known here. North of College Street, it seems to have been of about the same height as at that time. It is a singular fact that, while in the great freshet of 1859 the principal rise was in Bear Creek, this freshet seems to have been caused by the rain south and west of us raising the main river.

POPE COUNTY.

We met a gentleman at the executive department, yesterday, with a petition from citizens of Pope County for the organization of that county. A meeting of settlers was held at Stockholm last week, where the petition was prepared. He states that although Pope County, which has hitherto been a paper county, had only a few families last spring, there are now 150 voters in the county, and from 600 to 700 population, so rapid has been its settlement from this year's immigration. Pope County lies directly west of Stearns County, embracing four townships from north to south, and five or six townships east and west, so that it has from six hundred to seven hundred square miles in its bounds. It is three-fourths rich prairie, the balance timber lands, interpersed with lakes, and all well watered. It is fast settling up with industrious Swedes and Germans, and will ere long be one of our richest frontier counties. The governor has appointed commissioners to organize the county.—*Pioneer, 10th.*

RAMSEY COUNTY.

The huge burglar proof safe, for many years in the banking house of Borup & Oakes, was sold yesterday to Mills, Follett, & Co., bankers of Owatonna, for five hundred and fifty dollars. It weighs over three thousand pounds, and originally cost eight hundred dollars, two hundred and fifty of which was for the lock alone.—*Press, 18th.*

A son of Mr. Illingworth, the town clock builder, has been missing for several months. He was last seen at Hastings, where he landed from the Mollie Mohler, on her first trip. He had a scar on his upper lip, and is about fourteen years of age. Any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by the bereaved family.—*Pioneer, 17th.*

We are glad to announce that, from the excellent quarantine arrangement now effected, there is but little danger of St. Paul suffering to any extent from the cholera. A station was yesterday opened at Kaposia, four and a half miles below the city, and Richard Combs, esq., (who formerly kept a drug store under the International) has gone down to take possession as the health officer. Telegrams have been sent down to intercept steamers, that no boats will for the present be allowed to land in this city until they have first touched at Kaposia, and obtained from Mr. Combs a certificate of their cleanliness and freedom from contagious diseases.—*Press, 16th.*

STEELE COUNTY.

From The Republican Journal, 15th.

Harvesting has commenced in earnest throughout the county, everything indicating an abundant yield this season. We hope it may prove so. With the barns full of grain, and a ready market here, Steele County goes ahead in fine style. For the last two weeks abundance of rain has fallen. The latter part of week before last, in one night the rain fell to the depth of from ten to twelve inches on a level, causing the river to over-flow its banks, thereby destroying much grass and hay. One man lost twenty-five tons and another fifteen, in Somerset, and very many lost more or less all along the river.

We expect to see two iron horses make their appearance in town in a very few days, one from the north and the other from the south. The track is laid to within five miles on both roads, and would have been completed to the junction here by next Saturday night, had it not been for the late storm. On the depot grounds they are erecting two grain elevators, water tanks, etc., and everything that is necesary for the reception of the cars.

SCOTT COUNTY.

From The Shakopee Argus, 16th.

Mr. C. F. McDonald, whom we mentioned last week as having been accidentally shot, although since the accident he has been very low, hope is entertained of his recovery. The only wound that was of a serious nature was the one in the abdomen.

The river has commenced falling, and has already receded considerably. The raise amounted to something like ten feet. Several boats of large capacity have gone up, and the raise will prove an immense benefit to the upper country.

The weather has again become settled, and farmers are trying to secure the wreck of a crop that yet remains. The storm, it is feared, has caused a decrease of one-third in the amount of wheat in this county, besides it will be inferior in quality, much of it having grown and blighted.

There promises to be a greater abundance of game this fall than has been known before for many years. A gentleman living on the east side of the river has seen, within the last ten days, nine bears, besides several deer; and one of the legal fraternity of this city killed a fine buck last week, which was as the weather gets a little more *bearable* we purpose taking a hunt ourselves.

STEARNS COUNTY.

From The St. Cloud Times, 15th.

Large numbers of strangers are daily coming to St. Cloud—some to remain with us, while others go farther up looking for locations. New residences and business houses are springing up almost daily, and business in St. Cloud was probably never in a more flourishing condition.

From The St. Cloud Democrat, 16th.

The locomotive has made its way as far up the river as opposite Clearwater, and every day is lessening the distance between it and this place. But a few weeks can elapse before a passenger train will wend its way to St. Cloud.

Three Laplanders appeared at the land office on Tuesday and took homesteads in the vicinity of Holmes City. They could not speak a single word of English, and it required a number of interpretations from one language into another before their wants could be fully met.

WABASHA COUNTY.

The Wabasha Herald has been recently enlarged and improved. From its issue of the 16th we take the following:

The farmers are paying from $2.00 to $3.50 per day for harvest hands.

The late rains did not cause a rise in the Chippewa sufficient to enable boats to resume navigation.

On Tuesday last, Jacob Koff, a German residing near Watkin's mills, received a severe wound in the left hand from a reaper knife. Dr. Milligan was called, and forced to amputate the fore finger, in order to save the hand.

From The Lake City Leader, 15th.

Chicken shooting is becoming the pastime again among our sportsmen. The birds are said not to be so plenty this season as last.

Mr. G. S. Haseltine, of Hastings, has been engaged as principal of the Lake City schools. The next term begins in September.

The amount of wheat slipped from Lake City during the past three months is 335,000 bushels. The amount now in store is 121 bushels. This comprises the balance of last year's crop.

On Wednesday a deer was discovered swimming in the middle of the lake by two young lads—Henry Workman and Charles Halsey. The boys gave chase and succeeded in overtaking and killing it. They then lifted it into their boat and brought it to land. The deer was following the general tide of emigration and coming to Minnesota.

WASECA COUNTY.

From The Wilton News, 9th.

Altogether the most protracted and heaviest rain-storm of the season commenced about noon on Sunday last, and continued with few intermissions until Tuesday morning. It does not appear that very much damage has been done to crops, but it has interfered to some extent with the progress of harvesting. The ground is thoroughly saturated with water.

Yesterday, as Mr. Pease was crossing the bottom land east of the bridge, on the turnpike, with a young yoke of oxen, wagon, Mrs. Pease and child, the oxen suddenly turned off the road and run into deep water. The cattle were unmanageable, the wagon box, with woman and child in it, floated down stream to some willows, where it lodged. The alarm was given by some one who witnessed the transaction, citizens went *enmasse* to the rescue, saved cattle, wagon, and family, without material injury.

WINONA COUNTY.

From The Winona Republican, 15th.

We learn from our former townsman, Col. Johnson, that the iron on the Winona and St. Peter Railroad is now laid to within six miles and a half of Owatonna. Ten days of good weather enables the contractor, Col. DeGraff, to run his iron horse into that town.

Contractors and others engaged in building in Winona complain of the scarcity of all kinds of mechanics, but especially of brick-layers, and it is feared that engagements entered into some months ago cannot be fulfilled on account of the scarcity of workmen. Good brick-layers from abroad could find ready employment in this place at satisfactory wages.

From The Winona Democrat, 18th.

On Wednesday afternoon while Whitney Kennedy, aged about eighteen years, was engaged at work sawing lath in Messrs. Laird, Norton, & Co.'s mill in this city, the point of a lath struck him immediately under his left eye, touching the side of his nose, and penetrated upward about three inches, entering the region of the brain. The piece of lath was fully an inch in width, producing an alarming fracture, and the brain having been reached, it is feared that his recovery is very doubtful.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

From The Stillwater Messenger, 15th.

There is not a great deal being done in the way of the erection of extensive buildings in our city at the present time; but almost every person is engaged in repairing or putting up additions and out-buildings. Mechanics of all kinds are consequently very active—most of them having engagements for months ahead.

We were mistaken in our last in supposing that the recent rise in the lake came from the Upper St. Croix. Up to a few days since there had not been sufficient rains on the upper tributaries of the St. Croix River to affect even the smallest streams. The rise of several feet in the lake is back-water from the Mississippi.

THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the First National Bank.

Union State Convention.

The union electors of the state of Minnesota, who are in favor of asserting and maintaining the rights of the loyal people through their representatives in congress to prescribe the conditions on which the late rebel states shall be allowed to participate in the general government, and who favor the proposed amendment to the federal constitution, are requested to send delegates to a convention to be held in Ingersoll's Hall, in St. Paul, Minn., on Wednesday, the 19th day of September, 1866, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for state auditor and clerk of the supreme court, to be supported at the general election, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The several counties will be entitled to delegates as follows, viz:

Anoka	1	Mille Lac	1
Benton	1	Monongalia	1
Blue Earth	4	Morrison	1
Brown	1	Mower	2
Carver	3	Nicollet	3
Cass	1	Olmsted	8
Crow Wing	1	Otter Tail	1
Chisago	1	Pine	1
Cottonwood	1	Ramsey	8
Dakota	7	Redwood	1
Douglas	1	Renville	1
Dodge	3	Rice	6
Faribault	2	St. Louis	1
Fillmore	8	Scott	4
Freeborn	3	Sherburne	1
Goodhue	7	Sibley	2
Hennepin	8	Stearns	4
Houston	4	Steele	2
Isanti	1	Todd	1
Jackson	1	Wabasha	6
Kandiyohi	1	Waseca	2
Kanabec	1	Washington	4
LeSueur	4	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Winona	7
McLeod	1	Wright	2
Meeker	1		

Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the convention.

R. BLAKELY,
E. W. CUTTER.
E. S. YOUMANS.
FRED JOSS.
GEO. C. MOTT.
C. D. DAVIDSON.
J. FRANKENFIELD.
T. C. MCCLURE.
R. F. CROWELL.

Union State Central Committee.

St. Paul, Aug. 10, 1866.

Congressional Convention.

The republican union electors of the second congressional district are requested to send delegates to a convention to be holden at Ingersoll's Hall at 11 o'clock A. M., in the city of St. Paul, on Thursday, the 20th day of September, 1866, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for representative in congress from said district. The several counties will be entitled to delegates as follows:

Anoka	1	Morrison	1
Benton	1	Meeker	1
Carver	3	Mille Lac	1
Cass	1	Monongalia	1
Chisago	1	Otter Tail	1
Crow Wing	1	Pine	1
Dakota	7	Ramsey	8
Douglas	1	St. Louis	1
Goodhue	7	Sherburne	1
Hennepin	8	Stearns	4
Isanti	1	Todd	1
Kandiyohi	1	Wabasha	6
Kanabec	1	Wright	2
McLeod	1	Washington	4

T. M. METCALF, Chairman.
E. W. CUTTER.
A. B. STICKNEY.
W. S. GROW.
F. A. RENZ.
[2d Con. District Committee.

St. Paul, Aug. 9, 1866.

Miscellaneous Items.

A Connecticut man was fined $4 for preventing his hay from getting wet on Sunday.

Miss Anna Dickinson is preparing a lecture on the mission and duty of Andrew Johnson.

The Queen of the Sandwich Islands has accepted an invitation to be the guest of the government, and will be in Washington in a few days.

It is said that Santa Anna's estates near Jalapa have been confiscated, several millions of dollars being by this means turned into the imperial treasury.

The meeting of the Pomological Society, which was to have taken place in St. Louis on the 4th of September, has been postponed until next year, when it will be held in the same city.

A miller's clerk in Cincinnati had embezzled $30,000 in two years. The toll was greater than the grist, and discovery ensued. His discharge from custody furnishes a commentary on Cincinnati justice.

Under the new act, from and after the first day of August, 1866, all warehouse receipts are exempt from stamp duty; also all receipts for the delivery of goods and merchandise are exempt from stamp duty.

There is excitement among the clerks at Washington for fear that they will not get their twenty per cent. extra pay. It is believed that the clause securing the increase was not in the bill as passed and signed, in consequence of a clerical error.

Niagara Falls is just now the place for picnic parties. During the months of June and July, 1866, there were forty-two picnics, with an aggregate of fifteen thousand persons. This is an increase of twenty per cent. over last year, same months, in the number of picnics and an increase of thirty per cent. in the number of persons.

It appears that Mr. Voorhies—Andrew Johnson's viceroy in Louisiana—has been lying about the number of policemen and citizens killed in the democratic massacre. He stated that forty-two policemen and several citizens were killed or wounded. One policeman died of sun stroke, and about three were badly wounded. One citizen, a rebel, was killed accidentally by the police. On the other side the record will show the slaughter will be over one hundred and sixty union men, and the wounding of about three hundred. These are facts.

P. T. Barnum and others are preparing to start a large zoological garden in New York, in connection with Barnum's Museum, a part of which show will be free to the public, and the entire exhibition kept down to the Museum prices. A charter for the association has been obtained from the Connecticut Legislature, with a capital of $2,000,000, and thirty acres of land have been purchased in the vicinity of Bridgeport, on which are being erected suitable buildings and glass edifices for breeding of rare animals, birds, etc., and for training some of them for public performances.

Trapping a Tartar.

Mrs. Lascelles was the model of a jealous wife—she never went to bed till her husband was safe and sound in his room, and she invariably searched his pockets to see if they contained anything contraband. She was so very pretty that she might have been perfectly easy, for certainly few could approach our fair heroine in personal appearance. She had been married about seven years, and had done her best to annoy her husband in every possible shape, so far as the fair sex was concerned. In every other respect she was a treasure—she hated flirts, and boldly denounced them all, both male and female, as something worse than fools in intellect, and something still infinitely worse in morals.

Having brought her husband a good fortune she felt that independence so unpleasant to husbands when a woman plants her back against her marriage certificate and defies her legal lord and master.

Lascalles, who was really very fond of his wife, was a lawyer in excellent practice and repute; his sole sorrow was that absurd suspicion, which destroyed his mental peace, and sometimes interfered with his profession. This she had carried to such an extent that he had really contemplated advertising that no young or pretty clients would be attended to in consequence of the sensitiveness of his wife.

Their drives in the Bois de Boulogne were the most amusing things in the world. When Madame Lascelles saw a carriage approaching which held any of the fair sex, she would appear to close her eyes all but a little corner, out of which she looked with all her soul. But time is insufficient to describe the numerous methods the fair Julie Lascelles had of plaguing her husband out of his life. Sometimes a client would call upon him at his house, whereupon the suspicious dame would plant herself at the key hole, and greedily drink in every word that passed between them. She cross-questioned his clerks, way-laid his messengers, and, in fine, from being the delight of his life she was his *bete noire*. It was in vain that he affected a holy horror of every other woman in the world. She declared these assurances to be all hypocrisy and given with the sole intention of deceiving her.

Their household was composed of the homeliest females that could be scraped together. A menagerie of orangoutangs would compare favorably with their batch of domestic servants. Jokes were made by his friends upon this speciality of his, and when the International Fair was being organized, Charivari gravely proposed that the household of M. Lascelles should be sent as a specimen of all that was hidden in the world of Beauty.

Mons. Lascelles was sitting in his office one morning when a note was handed to him. His garcon said that a lady closely veiled had left it. He was so accustomed to receive so many letters from ladies, that he opened it with great equanimity. Despite his coldness, what man of thirty-five could be insensible to such a billet as this:

"My friend, I am a woman of great sensitiveness and impulse. I have seen you—I love you. Cæsar's triumph was not more immediate than yours. I saw you and I loved. You see, mon amie, that I abbreviate this dispatch. I shall die, if I do not tell you to your face how inextricably my happiness is bound up with you. Listen—I am married to a man who adores me, but I love you—love you only. You are not human if you are insensible to my homage. If you are I die. I know where you live. I have seen your wife, although I have not the honor of her acquaintance. I will be in a carriage at nine this evening, at the corner of Rue St. Honore. Approach the driver, and whistle thrice gently. Then say, 'Vendome.' If he replies, 'St. Cloud,' open the carriage door and you will find Marguerite. Do not speak to me till we arrive at our destination, which I will leave you to select.

"Adieu, mon amie! I only write the truth, when I add, I love you truly and tenderly."

Lascelles turned the note over, looked at the seal, which was a cupid escaping from a cage, held the paper up to a light, while a quiet smile stole over his sedate countenance.

After a few minutes' reflection, he put the billet into his pocket, and walked to the office of his friend, Marc. Cansidere, the chief of police.

"Mon cher Lascelles!" exclaimed that genial and colossal person, "what can I have the pleasure of doing for you?"

"A most important service—not so much for me as for society."

"Ah! you interest me! proceed."

"I need not remind you, mon cher Cansidiere, of the recent mysterious disappearances: for instance, Monsieur Guerin, some eight months since, the Chevalier de Bongars not over three months ago, and not three weeks since Lieu. Lassierre. Now, I think I have found a clue to this mystery."

"You delight me," said the chief of police.

"Yes; here is a letter I have received from some unknown person—it seems to be in a woman's handwriting, but the real sender may be a man—as I strongly suspect it is. Now, I do not intend, my dear Marc, to be another mysterious disappearance, and so I want you to assist me in caging this beautiful decoy bird who has lured so many to their ruin."

After some private conversation, with which it is not necessary to make the reader acquainted, Lascelles returned to his office, having arranged with the chief of police the programme of the evening.

Upon his return to his house that evening, he found his wife quite indisposed. She was in her own boudoir, reclining on a lounge. Annette, her favorite maid, was sitting on a low stool at her feet, reading to her mistress a charming romance, wherein the lover is really for once the husband.

She lifted her eyes languidly as Lascelles entered the apartment, while he gently raised her hand and kissed it, expressing his regret that business of great importance called him away immediately after dinner. He rose, and, when he had partaken of a slight repast, he went to renew his apologies to his wife for his unavoidable absence. Upon entering his wife's boudoir, Annette met him with raised finger and hushed voice, saying, "Madame is asleep."

Her husband expressed the profoundest sorrow, and said, "Should she wake, tell her I will return in an hour."

So saying he descended the stairs, and hastened to the rendezvous.

The letter was no hoax—there was the carriage—Lascelles gave three low whistles—the driver decended from his seat. "Vendome," said Lascelles, in a low voice. The man opened the carriage, let the steps down, and Lascelles, the next minute, was by the side of a lady closely veiled.

"I am here," he said, "as you told me." The fair unknown pressed his arm, but was silent. They drove along for some short time in silence. At last Lascelles put his head out of the coach and said, "stop here." Raising the gloved hand of the mysterious lady to his lips he gallantly kissed it, and opening the carriage door, descended. When he had gained the pavement, he said:

"My dear madame, permit me to ask you to descend from the carriage. I have prepared a pleasant entertainment which, I hope, will prove an agreeable surprise for you, and raise me in your estimation."

The lady bowed, and descended in silence.

The house she entered was a very handsome one in the Rue St. Honore.

"Will madame ascend the stairs to that room on the left?"

Not perceiving that Mons. Lascelles had left the house, the lady entered the room; it was empty.

She took a seat and looked round the room; it was neatly, almost elegantly furnished. Ten minutes passed. She became impatient. Going to the door, she found it was locked. "That is strange!" said she to herself, "but here is a bell: I will ring."

In a few minutes the door was unlocked, and a man in the garb of a policeman entered the room.

"What does madame require?" said he, bowing respectfully.

"Where is the gentleman who came with me?" inquired the lady.

"He has left."

"Left;" ejaculated the lady, "it is impossible!"

"It is true for all that," rejoined the official.

"Did he know I was waiting here for him?"

"Certainly," returned the other with a grave smile.

"Are you sure of it?" eagerly asked the lady.

"Quite. He left immediately after making his affidavit."

"His affidavit! To what?" inquired the lady.

"To the charge against you."

"The charge against me—you are mad! There is some strange mistake in all this!"

"The chief of police is not in the habit of making mistakes."

"The chief of police!" almost screamed the lady.

"Yes, madame, you are here, in our custody, charged with trying to seduce Mons. Lascelles, which you knew is a misdemeanor."

"It is quite a mistake; you must let me go; I must see Mons. Lascelles."

"Madame, it is my painful duty to tell you that you are a prisoner. As for going to see Mons. Lascelles, that is unnecessary; he will be here to-morrow at ten o'clock, when he will appear to prosecute the charge against you. I presume you are aware there has lately been several mysterious disappearances of married men. It has long been the suspicion of the police authorities that they have been inveigled away by means of ladies who have appointed assignations with them, for it is not every gentleman who has the incorruptible virtue of Mons. Lascelles."

The lady stamped her foot with rage. "I demand to be liberated—at all events, do me the favor of sending to Mons. Lascelles and tell him I must see him immediately."

"Madame, our orders are imperative. So indignant was he that any one should try to supplant his wife in his heart that he said, 'I am resolved to fulfill the duty I owe to society and Madame Lascelles.'"

The lady walked the room like a caged tigress.

"You will permit me to write to him?" she said angrily.

"Madame, the ends of justice cannot be compromised; what you have to say to the prosecutor must be said in court, publicly, to-morrow morning."

"Impossible! I must see him. It is as much for his sake as mine!"

The official shook his head. After a pause, the lady said, "I must then see the chief of police; he is a particular friend of my husband."

"And have you a husband? Alas! madame, this aggravates this offense." And the honest official seemed ready to weep.

"Do me the favor of sending the chief to me."

The official bowed and left the room. When he had gone the lady gave way to her rage.

"Was ever woman in such a terrible predicament! The chief of police, although a friend of my husband, does not know me! and they are so accustomed to be told falsehoods, that he will not believe me." As she said these words to herself, the chief entered the apartment.

"Madame, in compliment to your sex, I have obeyed your wish, although it is not customary for me to have private interviews with prisoners."

"I am obliged to you," replied the lady; "will you favor me with your attention?"

"Certainly."

"As you are an intimate friend of my husband, I have the less hesitation in asking you."

The chief bowed and smiled.

"You must know, Mons. de Cansidiere, that, by way of a joke, to test, in fact, the fidelity of my husband, I played him a trick."

"How very wrong to play tricks upon your husband," observed the chief with a quiet smile.

The lady continued: "I, therefore, sent him a letter in a disguised hand, and signed to it a feigned name, asking him to meet me. As I changed entirely the style of my dress, and wore the thick veil you see I have now on, he did not know me, but has driven home and given me into your custody."

As she said these words, she raised her veil, and disclosed the face of Madam de Lascelles.

"What you say may be true; but madame will pardon me if I require proof of this strange story. A lady to make love to her own husband is unheard of since the days of Cyrus the Great. To doubt their fidelity is not so incredible; indeed I have known several cases myself of that in my own experience. But what do you require of me, madame?"

"Why, release me and send me home to Mons. Lascelles."

The chief elevated his eyebrows as he ejaculated: "Sacre! It is not usual to send a prisoner to the house of the prosecutor."

"But I am his wife; even now he is in the greatest distress of mind at my mysterious disappearance. Oh! monsieur, he is so fond of me that he will come to you to report my disappearance."

At this minute an officer entered the room. "A gentleman wishes to see you about the disappearance of his wife."

"If his name is Lascelles, show him into this apartment."

The next minute Mons. de Lascelles confronted his wife.

We need not pursue the story in detail further. The wife was so charmed with her husband's fidelity that she forgave him the temporary annoyance he had put her to of an hour's imprisonment; and it may be mentioned, as a proof of her complete triumph over jealousy, that her domestics are not now selected for their qualifications of antiquity and homeliness.

From The New York Tribune.

Paper Collars and Cuffs.

Their uses, value, and adaptation—The process under which the paper passes—How the paper is dried—The cutting-machine—The apparent stiching process—Its final completion.

The use of paper collars and cuffs has become very general among gentlemen; and ladies are also beginning to use them to a great extent. In hot weather, such as we have at present, when the human frame perspires most freely, and when an ordinary collar droops and withers into the consistency of a wet napkin or towel, it may be a good thing to know that, with a very little trouble, one may always appear with a good, neat, and clean collar, comfortable to wear, and making a decent appearance, with a *cool look*, even in this torrid weather. Notwithstanding the thousands of both sexes who wear paper collars, there are probably but few individuals who, not directly interested in the trade, have any idea of manner in which they are made, and of the immense quantity used.

Paper collars were first worn by negro minstrels, and the first one of which there is any record was worn by the venerable "Daddy Rice," one of the fathers of negro minstrelsy, who gave up the ghost only a very few years since.

Some enterprising Yankee, seeing them in some public exhibitions, conceived the idea of introducing them into private life, and, as usual, his enterprising proclivities succeded. Improvement upon improvement has been made in paper-collars, and for each improvement a patent has been obtained. These patents, however, with one or two exceptions, are of no account, for the reason that "Daddy Rice," and other minstrels, who wore them twenty-five and thirty years ago, had no patent for them, and thus any one was at liberty to wear, make, buy, sell, or improve upon the collars thus introduced. The "patent" is a dodge, a mere fiction of the trade, and in only introduced to defer others from entering on the like business. Many of these sham patents have been infringed upon, but as yet no *action* has been taken at law to prevent such infringements. However, the collar which introduced a slip of muslin in its construction is a notable exception to this rule, and is clearly and explicitly protected by these letters patent.

The various processes under which the paper passes, and those which each sheet undergoes, before finally turned out a perfect collar, are exceedingly interesting. The paper used is expressly manufactured for the purpose; for the best collars, the pure and best linen stock is used, and varies in weight from 75 to 150 pounds to the ream, according to the quality of the collar desired to be produced.

The first process to which the paper, designed for collar making, is subjected, is *that of sizing*. The paper is spread out upon the table, and a thick coat of sizing is spread evenly over its surface by a young woman, who uses a fine brush for that purpose. Sizing is a glutinous substance, made of French chalk, glue, or gum, and white wax. When an unusually fine gloss is desired to be produced, a little arsenic is added to the sizing, so little as to be quite uninjurious, and in the manufacture of what are known as "perspiration proof collars," a solution of India rubber is introduced.

After being properly sized, the sheets are hung up to dry previous to being sent to the embossing machine. This machine is simply three heavy iron rollers, revolving upon each other with great speed, and producing a great amount of friction. The center and largest roller is covered with a thick smooth soft pad, made of cotton. Through this great machine the sized sheets are passed, and they come out in a highly glazed shining condition. So rapidly are the revolutions made by friction rollers, and so great the friction produced, that they become heated to a degree which forbids the laying on of hands. The sheets are now ready for the cutting machine.

A sharp cutting knife, of the exact shape and size of the collar-pattern, is inserted in the machine, and ten or a dozen sheets of the prepared paper fed beneath it. The knife descends with great force, cutting through the paper, and bringing out as many perfectly cut collars as there are sheets of paper. The same machine is used for cutting all sizes of collars, and also cuffs, but for each new pattern a new knife must be specially made. The collars are now in the rough. They have ceased to be simply sheets of paper, and a few more touches will fit them for use.

The stiching process is that of giving the collar an apparent stiching ornamentation around the edges. For this purpose an embosser is used. This tool is made the exact shape and size of the collar, which stamps dots along the edges of the collar, rendering a good imitation of stitching-work. This is placed in a light upright machine, which rises and falls very rapidly. A girl sits by, and every time the tool is raised she slips a plain collar under, and as it rises she withdraws it, nicely "stitched," and inserts another. In the factory visited there were twenty of these machines, all in simultaneous operation, and each tended by an interesting little woman. To thus feed through ten thousand collars per diem is considered a fair day's work for an operator. The collar now passes to the button-holing process. Three upright little shafts contain each a little knife, made the size of the button-hole, the shafts being so adjusted as to cut one hole in the middle of the collar, and one at each end. These work rapidly up and down, a girl "feeding" the collars through it at the rate of one thousand an hour. From this machine, the collar goes to the folder. This is still another machine, which, as rapidly as the girl can "feed" it, seizes the collar, and by sort of "jack-knife" operation, folds it over at the proper place, as some gentlemen are wont to have their collars "turned down," over their cravats. Still another girl "feeds" it through another little machine, where a slight little roller presses lightly exactly upon the fold, pressing it down smoothly and evenly. In this machine a little brass tongue inserts itself between the folds of the collar, so that it shall not be pressed down too tightly, but have space enough to admit the cravat between the folds without wrinkling. This machine lends its aid to the completion of the collar, and passes it to a long table, where still more girls sort over the many thousands thus furnished them, casting away the spoiled ones, and snipping here, and cutting there, the good and passable collars with delicate scissors to rid those not quite perfect of any little eccentricities produced by the various machines. These small girls also count the collars and pack them in snug circular boxes, each holding ten or more collars.

All these various machines are run by steam, and most of them at very great speed; and girls are exclusively employed to attend to them. The ages of these girls vary from ten to twenty or twenty-two years of age.

Foolish Formality.

Etiquette in naval as well as social manners is often carried to a ridiculous extent. One of our revenue cutters met a British armed steamer on the Niagara River a day or two since. On both steamers the men were properly stationed for the purpose of a salute, but each waited for the other to first dip its colors, and so both passed without saluting. The etiquette of the thing was just this: Each claimed the other had been the longest on that station and hence should make the first bow. Like that etiquette in social life that keeps congenial people apart for years, because each is waiting for the other to make the first call. We know an instance in which people with gray hairs lived from the commencement of their married life in this city unacquainted, solely because each thought the other the older resident, and so should make the advance. But when they finally were "thrown" together on a pleasure journey, they compare notes and discovered that both arrived in the same day and on the same boat. Thus by meeting away from home, and forming each other's acquaintance, they got over that terrible point of etiquette that had prevented a charming intimacy for a score of years.—*Cleveland Herald.*

The iron of iron, the fire of fire, the ether and scource of all elements, is moral force. We delight to trace these powers. Method, patience, self-trust, perseverance, love, desire, knowledge, power of persistence, of enduring defeat, of gaining victory by defeat—these are forces which never lose their charm. Even in war—which is organized brute force—moral power is eminent. Good ammunition and good muskets we must have, but these do not gain the battle. You may have a mountain of iron, every pebble a slug—it is all in vain without the brave hands to use, the cool head to command, the good cause which fires every brain in the service.—*Emerson.*

It is often debated, which is the most enjoyable—the anticipation of a pleasure, or its realization; but the power of recalling, mellowed and hallowed by the lapse of time, is more potent than either.

AGRICULTURAL.

Turnips.

The soil for turnips should be mellow and well enriched, but not with rank manure. It is best if the soil is deep, but deep plowing for the crop, without previous deep culture, is not the thing. However, any good four inch soil, not choked with weeds will give fair returns. The best flavored turnips for the table are produced on light, sandy loams in good heart, but in which the manure has disappeared from sight.

For field culture, when the crop is to be marketed for table use, the golden-bell, snow-ball, and purple-top straw-leaved, are among the very best, yielding well, and being excellent for the table, and good keepers. The seeds may be had of most seedsmen, as they are old standard varieties. One pound of seed to the acre is the rule, but much less will do if the drill be properly set, or if it be mixed with sand or earth, so that the whole field may be evenly sown broad cast. It is sown in drills, twenty inches apart, and to thin with the hoe to the breadth of the hoe blade apart. Thus the ground may be kept clean, and, while a much better crop is gained, the soil has most of the benefits of a summer fallow.

Ruta-baga, or Sweedish turnips, may be sown as late as the first of July, and upon land in good tilth, give good crops. If the soil is shallow, turn the furrows together in pairs, and sow on the top of the ridges, covering the seeds a little deeper than if sown on the flat. Wet land may be treated in the same way. The ruta-baga needs a richer soil than is necessary for the English turnips, and has a much heavier, firmer, and nutritious flesh. Late sown crops are smaller, for the roots do not get so large, as they must be harvested before they get their growth, nevertheless, they are better for the table, and find a readier market than if very large. The chief value of both these crops, however, is for affording succulent fodder for stock during the winter. The turnips being consumed in the autumn and early winter, and the ruta-baga toward spring. The best kind of ruta-bagas to sow are, perhaps, Skirving's purple-top, a yellow fleshed variety, and the purple-top white, which has white flesh. Sow in drills like turnips, twenty to twenty-four inches apart early in the season, but later let them stand a little closer.

The usual time for sowing the main crop is the last of July or before the middle of August.—*Am. Agriculturist.*

Milch cows are very profitable stock; they should be well taken care of at every season—should have the best pasture, and always a full bite of grass. If they are uneasy, and obliged to run from field to field to endeavor to pick up enough to satisfy themselves, they will not yield much milk. They must have an abundance of food and water, and than they will ruminate and produce large quantities of milk. It is a good plan to change cows from one pasture to another every week, as by this means the grass will not be kept down too much, and there will always be a good bite. It is a bad practice to drive cows a considerable distance from the pasture to the place of milking, especially in warm weather, as they become hot and feverish, and the milk is damaged in quality and lessened in quantity. If driven at all, the rate should not be faster than a slow walk. They should be kindly treated. Cruelty and carelessness will soon destroy the dairyman's profits. When grass is scarce, green corn is an excellent substitute. Plenty of good water is indispensably necessary for dairy cows. Without the greatest cleanliness, good butter or cheese cannot be produced.

The necessity of providing shade and shelter for stock of all kinds in summer must be obvious to every farmer. If there is a wood, a grove, or even detached trees in the pasture, cattle cease grazing during the heat of the day, and resort to them for shade. But trees are not a sufficient shelter for stock during thunder storms, as after some time the rain comes down in torrents through the thickest foliage, and the lightning is very apt to kill animals under the trees. It would not cost much to build a temporary shed in the pasture, which, being open all round, would admit the air freely, and provide a cool retreat for stock of every kind. It would be more desirable to have separate sheds for each kind of stock, as they do not get along well when mixed in such places. Sheep are fond of keeping away from cattle, and will be more comfortable by themselves. Sows and pigs, and even large hogs, will thrive much better when provided with shade and shelter, than if left exposed to the heat of the sun and the drenching of heavy rain. The sheds should be erected in some central place, near water, if possible, and should be provided with boxes for holding salt.

Many persons allow the raspberries to grow at will until the fruit begins to weigh the canes to the ground. Then they are tied up. This is all wrong. The new shoots or fruit-spurs have put out with reference to this free and easy growth, and when crowded together, as is necessary in tying, many of them are either broken or entirely forced out of a growing position. It is always better to tie them up as soon as uncovered in spring, so that all their growth may be with reference to their permanent position, but if neglected until now, leave them no longer. A few of the strong-growing kinds may do without staking, but the majority should be tied up. Of course the pruning-shears have been among them, cutting out all dead and unsightly branches.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

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Passing the laboratory he looked around for some water, as it was a hot day, and he was evidently thirsty. Just in his way was a large tub wherein the boy washed out bottles. He glanced around; no one seemed to be looking; he seized a half-gallon cup and gulped down a pint. The clerk observed the movement. As he mused upon the heavy charge a sudden thought occurred to him, which he suddenly put into execution. The drayman had mounted his dray and was driving off, when the clerk bounded from the door and shouted to him to stop.

"Did you drink any of the water in the tub?" he shouted, and then waited for an answer with bated breath.

The drayman said, "Yo-o s, he had drank a little."

"My dear sir, you are a dead man; we use that water for washing acids from bottles. Oh, you're a dead man, sure."

The draymau turned pale and said he felt a dreadful pain in his stomach.

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"Wall, I guess I'll take passage, capting, seeing as how I am kinder gin eout walking so tarnashun fur."

Accordingly he got on board just as the steward was ringing the bell for dinner.

Jonathan sat down and began to demolish the "fixins" to the utter consternation of the captain, until he cleared the table of all that was eatable, when he got up and went on deck picking his teeth very comfortably.

"How far is it, capting, from here to where I came aboard?"

"Nearly one and a half miles," said the captain.

"Let's see," said Jonathan, "that would be four and a half cents; but never mind, capting, I won't be small; here's five cents, which pays my fare up here; I guess I'll go ashore now; I'm kinder rested out."

The captain vamosed for the cabin, and Jonathan went ashore.

A clergyman was once sent for in the middle of the night by one of the ladies of his congregation. "Well, my good woman," said he, "so you are very ill, and require the consolation of religion? What can I do for you?" "No," replied the old lady, "I am only nervous and can't sleep." "How can I help that?" asked the parson. "Oh, sir, you always put me to sleep so nicely when I go to church, that I thought if you would only preach a little for me!" The parson "made tracks."

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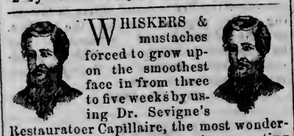

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Remingtons' Revolvers.

Parties desiring to avail themselves of the late improvements in pistols, and superior workmanship and form, will find all combined in the new Remington revolvers.

Circulars containing cuts and description of our arms will be furnished upon application.

E. REMINGTON & SONS, Ilion, N. Y.
MOORE & NICHOLS, Agents,
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PRINTING, OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS promptly executed at THE CONSERVER Job Office. Call and examine specimens. Orders by mail carefully filled.

1-tf IRVING TODD.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

LECTURE.—MRS. J. S RAY, of Ohio, will deliver a lecture at Teutonia Hall this evening, entitled War and its Gains. Admittance fifty cents.

ENTERTAINMENT.—Mr. R. C. SPENCER will give a Shaksperian reading at Teutonia Hall on Friday evening next. Admittance fifty cents. The public are cordially invited to be present.

SCHOOL MONEY.—The August apportionment of the school fund arising from the proceeds of land sales, etc., gives Dakota County $3,014.33 as her share, upon a basis of 4,499 scholars at sixty-seven cents each.

GAME.—We are indebted to Capt. I. P. TICHENOR, of Milwaukee, for our first supply of prairie chickens this summer, for which he has our thanks. The captain is having fine sport during his stay among us.

NEW FIRM.—Messrs. BOWKER & CALDWELL are re-fitting the store room on Second Street formerly occupied by MUES, and in a few days will open with a new stock of groceries. Go in, boys Here's success to you.

WILD PLUMS.—This staple Minnesota fruit is making its appearance in town, and, from appearances, will be unusually plentiful this season. It brings in market about ten cents per quart, and will be cheaper in a few days.

SOLD OUT.—The Tontine saloon and fixtures have been disposed of to LAWRENCE NESSEL, but ARDY wishes it distinctly understood that he will linger around as usual, ready to serve both old and new customers with the beverages for which the Tontine is so justly famous.

DROWNED.—A little boy named EDDIE AUGE, son of Mr. GEORGE AUGE, of Mendota, aged about six years, was on Friday afternoon playing on the ferry-boat that plies between Mendota and Fort Snelling, in company with another child, when he fell from the boat into the water and was drowned. His body was recovered yesterday about a hundred feet below the place where he was drowned.—*Press, 19th.*

THE FOUNDRY.—We were down to the foundry last week and found them busy at work, casting, turning, repairing, etc., etc. In a few days more they will have every thing in first class running order, and will be ready to receive orders for every kind of work in their line. When completed it will be second to none in the state, and fully equal to the one burned here a few years since.

THE CHOUTEAU SALE.—This sale on Friday last was well attended, and went off lively. Most of the lots brought twenty-five per cent over the approximated value, and much higher than similar property had been bringing at private sale. Over twenty-one thousand dollars was realized, which speaks well for the confidence in the future prospects of Hastings.

PERSONAL.—We had the pleasure of a call, on Friday last from J. W. LATHROP, esq., of Jacksonville, Ill., special agent of the Phœnix Insurance Company, of Hartford. Mr. LATHROP seemed pleased with Hastings and vicinity, especially the Vermillion Falls and scenery below. We hope he may come oftener and stay longer.

The Hon. S. G. RENICK, president of the First National Bank, of this city, contemplates making a visit to Ohio this week on horseback. He travels by this novel method to avoid paying the monopolies anything for transportation expenses. We admire his pluck.

CHAS. SCHROTH, esq., and wife have gone East on a pleasure trip of several month. We wish them a pleasant journey, and safe return.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Regular meeting, Aug. 18th, 1866. Present Mayor Finch, and Alds. Rich, Strauss, and Taylor.

Ordinances No. 58 and No. 59 were read for the third time and passed.

The finance committee reported in favor of refunding bounty tax of M. V. Bruswell, $14.50, and allowing D. F. Langley $100 for his services as city assessor. Passed.

The contract for painting the fence around the public square was awarded to John Koch, at thirteen cents per foot.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for proposals for roofing the bridge across the Vermillion.

Adjourned one week.

I. O. of G. T.—Star Lodge No. 47, of this city, is in a flourishing condition, numbering, we are told, upwards of one hundred and seventy members. Below we give the list of officers for the present term:

W. C. T.—L. Van Slyck.
W. V. T.—Miss Emma Higgins.
P. W. C. T.—J. R. Mars.
W. S.—John Kennedy.
W. A. S.—Mrs. Sarah M. Lemen.
W. F. S.—M. D. Merrill.
W. T.—A. J. W. Thompson.
W. M.—H. C. Reed.
W. A. M.—Miss Nancy Powell.
W. I. G.—Mrs. C. A. Colby.
W. O. G.—Frank May.
W. R. H S.—Mrs. U. J. Thompson.
W. L. H. S.—Mrs. M. J. Rust.

It is in contemplation to publish a semi-monthly paper, to be called *The Evening Star*, for the amusement of the lodge, the first number of which appears next week. Communications may be left with the secretary, or in Box 396, at the post office.

THE RECEPTION.—The reception of the Hon. IGNATIUS DONNELLY, on Tuesday evening last, in point of numbers was a complete success; otherwise a total failure. Attracted principally by the brass band and cannon a large crowd gathered, but there was very little enthusiasm, and the few attempts at cheering were flat and still born. We are sorry for Mr. DONNELLY'S sake—who really has made us a fair representative—that his herculean efforts at notoriety are not better appreciated at home, and that the XXXIX. Congress—of whom we all should be proud—awakened so feeble a response from our citizens. Had the affair been better managed it would have been more successful, and the outlay incurred in music, powder, and hall rent been more productive of a counteracting influence to repair the waning fortunes of Mr. DONNELLY in this county. Not being able to procure a correct copy of the resolutions passed we omit them entirely.

LOCAL NOTICES.

By buying of Strauss you will get a good article, at reasonable prices, and warranted to be just as represented. Repairing and engraving done to order on short notice, and in a workmanlike manner. Call and see.

Be sure of calling at Newman's before making your purchases, or you may be sorry all your life time. Money saved is money earned, and the Union Block is well known as a money saver. So send up your money up.

D. P. Kent & Co. are daily receiving by express a fine assortment of Prints, Sheetings, Cloths, Dress Goods, Boots and Shoes, etc. Call at Edison Block and examine stock and prices. No trouble to show goods, and every thing waranted to be as represented or no sale.

We wish every lady in Dakota County could see one of Macomber's superb butter dishes. Goody gracious! what a rush there would be for the possession of it. Just the thing, and so cheap. To avoid difficulties, call around some morning, before other people are about, and take a look. It will pay you well.

MARRIED.

On the 15th inst., by the Rev. L. Caillet Mr. WALTER DUNN, of Dakota County, to Miss LIZZIE AGNES MCDERMOTT, of St. Paul.

A. F. and A. M.

VERMILLION CHAPTER No. 2, R. A. M.—Stated meetings Friday on or preceding full moon in each month at the hall, corner Second and Vermillion Streets. J. E. FINCH H. P.
GEO. C. KING, Secretary.

DAKOTA LODGE, No. 7, A. F. and A. M.—Stated meetings 2d and 4th Wednesdays in each month at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets. R. J. MARVIN, W. M.
C. O. BALL, Secretary.

MT. MORIAH LODGE, No. 35, A. F. and A. M.—Stated meetings 1st and 3d Mondays in each month at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets. J. E. FINCH, W. M.
CHAS. HERZOG, Secretary.

I. O. of O. F.

VERMILLION LODGE, No. 8.—Meets Tuesday evening of every week at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets.
LOUIS HENRY, N. G.
N. C. JOHNSON, Recording Secretary.

I. O. of G. T.

STAR LODGE, NO. 47.—Regular meeting every Monday evening, at their hall on Third Street.
L. VAN SLYCK, W. C. T.
JOHN KENNEDY, W. S.

HASTINGS LUMBER MARKET.

Common Lumber,	$25 00	Clear. No. 1,	$50 00
Fencing,	25 00	" No. 2,	45 00
Flooring,	35 00	Shingles, extra,	6 00
Siding,	30a35 00	" No. 1,	5 00
Lath,	4 00	Stock Boards	25 00

MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HASTINGS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Bankable Funds.

U. S. Notes. Minnesota.
Canada. All National Banks.

Exchange.

FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

	Buying.	Selling.
New York, Philadelphia, Boston,	par.	½prem.
Milwaukee,	par.	¾prem.
Chicago,	par.	¼prem.

PREMIUM FUNDS.

Gold,	35	45
Silver (large),	30	40
U. S. Demand Notes	35	45
Canada	35	45

RETAIL PRICE CURRENT.

HASTINGS, August 21, 1866.

WHEAT, per bushel,	130a35
FLOUR, per sack,	4 50
CORN, per bushel,	60a65
OATS, do	30a40
RYE, do	45a50
BARLEY, do	35a40
POTATOES,	90a100
BEANS, do	1 00a1 10
ONIONS, do	1 00a1 20
HAY, per ton,	10 00a12 00
WOOD, green, per cord,	4 25a4 50
WOOD, dry, do	5 50a6 00
SALT, fine, per bbl	3 75a4 00
SALT, solar, do	4
NAILS, per lb 10 per keg	9 00
BUTTER, per lb	20a25
CHEESE, Minnesota, per lb	20a25
CHEESE, Hamburg, do	28a30
EGGS, per dozen,	15a20
PORK, fresh, per cwt,	10 00a11 00
PORK, salt, per lb,	15a20
BEEF, fresh, do	8a12
HAMS, Minnesota, per lb	20a25
HAMS, canvassed, do	28a30
APPLES, green, per barrel	6 50a7 50
APPLES, dried, per lb,	25
PEACHES, dried, do	30a35
BLACKBERRIES, dried	50a60
SUGARS, dark brown ℔ lb	11
SUGARS, fair do do	13a14
SUGARS, prime, do do	14a16
SUGARS, powd. cloged & granulated	20a22
MOLASSES, plantation, per gall	80a1 25
MOLASSES, prime, N O. do	1 40a1 50
SYRUPS, do	40
COFFEE, prime rio per lb	35
COFFEE, O. G java, do	45a50
TEAS,	75a225

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.—SEALED PROPOSALS WILL be received up to Sept. 1st, 1866, at 7½ o'clock, p. m., for roofing the bridge across the Vermillion River, on Vermillion Street, according to plans and specifications on file at the city clerk's office.
J. A. MORTON, City Clerk.
Hastings, Aug. 22, 1866. 19-2w

TONTINE BILLIARD ROOM,
Lawrence Nessel, Proprietor,
Ramsey Street, near levee,
HASTINGS, - - - - - - MINNESOTA.
The best wines, liquors, and cigars constantly on hand. Coffin & Oak's celebrated St. Paul Ale always on draught. 19-tf

ORDINANCE NO. 59.—AN ORDINANCE in relation to gift enterprises and gift concerts.
The city council of the city of Hastings do ordain:
Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person to offer for sale in this city any watches, jewlery, or merchandise of whatever description, in the manner commonly known as gift enterprises or gift concerts, without first having obtained a license for that purpose.
Sec. 2. Any person, upon paying to the city marshal the sum of twenty-five dollars, and filing with the city clerk a receipt therefor, shall receive a written license issued and signed by said clerk under the seal of the city to sell as mentioned in the last section.
Sec. 3. Any person or persons violating or selling without first obtaining a license as hereinbefore provided shall, upon conviction, for each offense pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars.
Sec. 4. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication in the official paper of the city.
Approved Aug. 18th, 1866.
J. E. FINCH, Mayor.
J. A. MORTON, City Clerk. 19-2w

ORDINANCE NO. 58.—AN ORDINANCE relating to billiard tables, pigeon hole tables, bagatelle tables, and bowling alleys—and to repeal ordinance No. 25.
The council of the city of Hastings do ordain:
Sec. 1. No person shall keep in this city any public billiard room, pigeon hole table, bagatelle table, or bowling alley where or wherein such person shall permit a game of billiards, pigeon hole, bagatelle, or ten pins to be played unless such person shall first obtain a license as hereinafter provided.
Sec. 2. Any person upon payment to the city treasurer of the sum of twenty dollars for each and every billiard table, so kept, and the sum of five for each and every pigeon hole or bagatelle table so kept, and the sum of ten for each and every ten pin alley so kept, shall receive from the clerk a license in writing, not transferable, which shall be countersigned by the mayor, to keep such billiard table, pigeon hole, or bagatelle table, or ten pin alley in the room or place designated in said license for the term of one year from the first day of June next preceding the date of said license.
Sec. 3. Any person violating this ordinance, shall upon conviction, pay a fine of twenty-five dollars for each day that said billiard table, pigeon hole or bagatelle table, or bowling saloon is so kept without first obtaining said license.
Sec. 4. Ordinance No. 25 is hereby repealed.
Sec. 5. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication in the official paper of this city.
Approved Aug. 18th, 1866.
J. E. FINCH, Mayor.
J. A. MORTON, City Clerk. 19-2w

J. DUFOUR.
Retail in
Wines and Liquors,
Cogniac, Champagne, Claret, Sherry, Port, Rum, Brandy, Gin, Orange Bitters, Bourbon, Rye, Monongahela, etc. All kinds of bottled goods always on hand. Second Street, nearly opposite Tremont House.
Hastings, May 29, 1866. 7-1y

C. W. CROSBY,
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
AND
Conveyancer, General Insurance and Real Estate Agent.
Notes and accounts collected. Titles to property investigated, and taxes paid for non residents. Office, post-office block, up stairs, Hastings, Minn. 14-tf

ENNIS & ROBINSON,
Land Agents,
and dealers in real estate. Will buy and sell lands, pay taxes, etc., in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Missouri. Improved farms and pine lands for sale. Terms made known upon application, either by letter or at their office in Exchange Block, on Second Street.
J. A. ENNIS. ELI ROBINSON.
Hastings, Nov. 13, 1865. 31-tf

INDELIBLE STAMPING.
Mrs. J. R. Mars
has just received some new and beautiful designs for stencil work. This style of ornamenting dresses and skirts is becoming very popular among the ladies, as the flowers and ornaments can be stamped indelibly on cloth in handsome colors, Rooms on Bailey Street, fronting market square.
Hastings, Aug. 7th, 1866. 17—tf

NEW MEAT MARKET.
Lucas, Borden, & Co.
have fitted up in good style in their new quarters on Vermillion Street, directly opposite their old stand, where they are prepared to furuish the best cuts at the lowest cash rates. Call in.
W. H. LUCAS.
Esq. BORDEN.
HENRY GRETNER.
Hastings, July 10, 1866. 18-tf

JUSTICE BLANKS.—WE HAVE PRINTed from neat and convenient forms the following Justice Blanks, which we offer for sale by the dozen or hundred:
SUMMONS, SUPÆNAS, EXECUTIONS.
Orders by mail carefully filled.
Address THE CONSERVER, Hastings.
7-tf

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS
W. P. STANLEY,
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
Books, Stationery, Wall Paper,
TOYS, AND YANKEE NOTIONS.
Hastings, Jan. 1, 1866. 29-tf

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ALL KINDS OF
PRINTING
Neatly and Cheaply Executed
AT THE
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Cards,
Programmes,
Bill-Heads,
Circulars,
Posters,
Etc.,

Printed to Order and at
SHORT NOTICE.

Orders from the country promptly attended to.

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CHAS. SCHROTH. JOHN PELLER.
SCHROTH & PELLER,
Dealers in
All kinds of Leather,
BELTINGS, FINDINGS,
SADLER AND SHOEMAKER'S TOOLS, ETC.

Our goods are bought direct from manufacturers, and will be sold at close figures for cash.
Orders solicited, which will be promptly and carefully attended to.
Cash paid for hides and pelts. 17—tf

INDEPENDENT LINE.
The new and swift sailing steamer
CHIPPEWA,
H. H. HEERMAN, Master,
will make tri-weekly trips between St. Paul and La Crosse, with a tariff of rates fifty per cent less than by any other line. Her time to and from Hastings will be as follows:

DOWN.	UP.
Tuesday, 1 P. M.	Tuesday, 5 A. M.
Thursday, "	Thursday, "
Saturday, "	Saturday, "

For freight or passage apply on board or to SMITH & HOWES,
18-tf Agents

FINE TOILET SOAPS, OF THE BEST brands for sale at DIMOND'S soap factory.

FAMILY SOAPS, AS GOOD AS ANY in the market, for sale at wholesale at DIMOND'S soap factory.

SOFT SOAP FOR SALE BY THE BARrel, gallon, or quart at DIMOND'S soap factory.

GREASE WANTED.—I WANT ALL THE soap grease I can get, for which I will pay the highest price in lard or soft soap at the factory on the prairie, west of the Hastings House.
10-tf A. S. DIMOND.

THE MASON & HAMLIN CABINET ORgans, forty different styles, adapted to sacred and secular music, for $80 to $600 each. Fifty-one gold or silver medals or other first premiums awarded them. Illustrated catalogues free. Address, Mason & Hamlin, Boston, or Mason Brothers, New York. 29-1y

H. O. MOWERS,
Surgeon Dentist, Hastings, Minn. Office north side Second Street, between Ramsey and Sibley Streets, over Nerrish's store 32-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. AULTMAN & Co's
"SWEEPSTAKES."

THE ONLY GENUINE
"SWEEPSTAKES"
THRESHING MACHINE.
C. AULTMAN, Manufacturer, Canton, Ohio. | HENRY H. TAYLOR, Gen'l Western Ag't, Chicago, Ill.

TWO STYLES OF HORSE POWERS.

The Improved "Carey" Power,
(Both eight and ten horse.)

THE "COMPENSATING" POWER,
(Both eight and ten horse.)

A laudable ambition exists among threshers to "own the best machine in the neighborhood." Nothing is more disagreeable to them than to have farmers complain that their work is not properly done, or to lose valuable time by reason of breakages, and they can not be too careful in selecting a machine.

The Sweepstakes is the accredited head of the Threshing Machine family, and its superior strength, durability, simplicity, ease of draft, style of finish, and capacity for threshing and cleaning grain faster and better than any other in the world are acknowledged.

The great reputation achieved by this favorite machine has led several unscrupulous manufacturers, and numerous agents, to attach the name "SWEEPSTAKES," in one way and another, to their machines and advertisements to mislead and deceive

This is the essence of meanness—downright piracy, and sailing under false colors. To avoid the counterfeit, see that every machine has the card, "C. AULTMAN & CO., MANUFACTURERS *Canton, Ohio,*" in gilt letters, conspicuously on both sides of the Separator.

The Genuine Sweepstakes enables the thresher to pick his customers, seldom stops for repairs, lasts much longer than others, saves much grumbling and vexation, does the same amount of work with less labor, and enables him to select the best and most profitable jobs.

The farmers give it a preference, and often an extra price per bushel, because it threshes clean from the heads, separates perfectly from the straw, cleans fit for market without waste, saves all the grain, does its work with the utmost speed, safety and economy, and does not keep a gang of men and teams about them on expense.

The elegant "Patent Pivot Side Gear" is to be found only on the SWEEPSTAKES.

Our "Patent Cleaning Apparatus" enables the operator to control the direction of the blast, and position of the scives, and clean either heavy or light grain, without waste, as fast as it can be threshed,—the chaff and dirt being separate from the grain *before it strikes the seive at all.*

Separators, Horse Powers, Straw Stackers, Gears or Jacks, sold separately, when desired. A written warranty delivered with ever machine. The "SWEEPSTAKES" is usualy a very scarce article after hárvest, and parties should *order early.*

Call or send and get a pamphlet circular giving a full description and particulars, together with numerous certificates, and the names and residence of over three thousand persons who have bought and used the SWEEPSTAKES in Illinois, Iowa Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Kansas, alone.
GARDNER & MELOY, Agents.
Hastings, June 19, 1866. 10—3m

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT, 1866.

MINN. CENTRAL RAILWAY.
Two Daily Trains Each Way.
Trains will run as follows on and after Thursday, May 16th, 1866:

GOING SOUTH.

Leave Minneapolis	8 45 a. m.	3. 40 p. m.
Leave Mendota	9. 40 a. m.	4. 45 p. m.
Arrive Faribault	12. 50 p. m.	8. 45 p. m.

GOING NORTH.

Leave Faribault	1. 40 p. m.	6. 00 a. m.
Leave Mendota	5. 05 p. m.	10.00 a. m.
Arrive Minneapolis	5. 45 p, m.	10.40 a. m.

Trains going north will not stop at Fort Snelling.
The morning train going south and the evening train going north will not stop at Wescott or Castle Rock. All other trains will stop at Minnehaha, Fort Snelling, Wescott, and Castle Rock on signal.
Passengers leaving Faribault at 6 a. m. and Minneapolis at 8.45 a. m. connect with the 10.30 a. m. boat from St. Paul. Passengers from Faribault at 1.40 p. m. and Minneapolis at 3.40 p. m. connect with the 6 p. m. boat from St. Paul. Fare from Minneapolis to St. Paul as low as by any other route, and omnibus ride at Minneapolis saved. Tickets for sale at the railway company's depot in Minneapolis, and at the ticket office of the North-Western Union Packet Company, on the levee, St. Paul.
Pleasure and picnic parties can leave Minneapolis at 8.45 a. m. and 3.40 p. m. spend an hour at Minnehaha, and take the return train, arriving in Minneapolis at 10.40 a. m. and 5. 45 p. m.
Persons desiring to visit the interior of the state on their return east can leave Minneapolis or St Paul in the morning, and arrive in Winona at noon next day, or can leave St. Paul or Minneapolis in the afternoon and arrive at Winona on the evening of the next day, connecting with the boat for La Crosse and points east. This line passes through the heart of the grain growing district of Minnesota, and is made up of one hundred and twenty miles of railway, divided by only forty miles of stage route over splendid natural roads. A first class line of four horse coaches is run daily by the Minnesota Stage Company between the railroad termini at Kasson and Faribault. Fare from St. Paul or Minneapolis to La Crosse, $11.75. Tickets for sale at the depot of the railway company in Minneapolis, and of the Minnesota stage company in St. Paul. D. C. SHEPARD,
General Superintendent.
Minneapolis, May 10, 1866. 11-tf

Irving Todd,
Versicherungs-Agent.
Hastings, Feb. 6, 1866. 48—tf

CHARLES B. LOWELL.
Civil Engineer, and County Surveyor of Dakota County. Office in Gardner's stone block, corner Sibley Street and Levee.
Hastings, March 20, 1865. 51—tf

Irving Todd's
Accidenz-Druckerei.
Hastings, Feb. 10, 1866. 44-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

GOLD AND SILVER.
Financial crisis compel us to sell in the course of six months
$250,000 —— $250,000
worth of
Watches, Clocks, Chains, Diamond Rings, Pianoes, Melodeons, Sewing Machines, Silver Ware, etc.
All to be disposed of at
One Dollar Each
Without regard to value! And not to be paid for until you know what you are to receive. After receiving the article, if it does not please you, you can return it and your money will be refunded.

The stock comprises amongst other articles, splendid Clocks, Gold and Silver Watches, Rings set with Diamonds, Rubies, Pearls, Garnet and other Stones, (solitaire and in clusters), ladies sets of Jewelry, comprising Pins and Ear Rings of the most fashionable styles, set in Precious Stones of every variety, together with a large assortment of Gold and Enamelled and Pearl Sets, Gold Studs and Sleeve Buttons of the most beautiful patterns, Gents Bosom and Scarf Pins, and an endless variety of Bracelets, Chains, Musical Boxes, Head-dresses, Combs, Charms, etc.

In consequence of the great stagnation of trade in the manufacturing districts of France and England, a large quantity of valuable Jewelry, originally intended for European market, has been sent off for sale in this country, and must be sold at any sacrifice! Under these circumstances the "Watch & Gold Jewelry Co." have resolved upon
AN APPORTIONMENT
subject to the following regulations:

Certificates of the various articles are first put into envelopes, sealed up and mixed; and when ordered, are taken out without regard to choice, and sent by mail, thus giving all a fair chance. On receipt of the certificate, you will see what you are to have, and then it is at your option to send the dollar and take the article or not. Purchasers may thus obtain a piano, melodeon, sewing machine, gold watch, diamond ring, or any set of jewelry on our list for one dollar. Send 25 cents for a certificate. In all transactions by mail, we shall charge for forwarding the certificates, paying postage, and doing the business 25 cents each, which must be enclosed when the certificate is sent for.

AGENTS.—We want agents in every town and county in the country, and those acting as such will be allowed ten cents on every certificate ordered by them provided their remittance amount to $1. Agents will collect 25 cents for every certificate, and remit 15 cents to us, either in cash or postage stamps. Agents remitting at once $30 will be entitled to a beautiful silver watch, and also 200 certificates.

Please write your name, town, county, and state plainly, and address all orders to
WATCH AND GOLD JEWELRY COMPANY,
51-6m 36 Liberty St., New York.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
THE NORTH AMERICAN
PRIZE CONCERT
will positively be given at
WABASH AVENUE RINK, CHICAGO, ILL., AUG. 22, 1866.
The first prize concert to be given in the United States. No postponement.
Two hundred and fifty thousand valuable prices, valued at Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, will be presented to ticket holders, including
$100,000 In Greenbacks.
The time rapidly approaches, and the books will be closed the 22d day of August.
With the help of our numerous agents, located all over the United States, we have reason to believe that every ticket will be sold before the day designated.
Number of tickets issued, 500,000. Price $1.00 each.
This is the greatest inducement ever offered to the people of the United States,
EVERY OTHER TICKET DRAWS A PRIZE.

1 Gift in Greenbacks			$30,000
1 do	do		10,000
1 do	do		5,000
1 do	do		4,000
1 do	do		3,000
1 do	do		2,000
20 do	do	$1,000 each	20,000
20 do	do	500 do	10,000
20 do	To	100 do	2,000
20 do	do	50 do	1,000
800 do	do	10 do	8,000
1,000 do	do	5 do	5,000
1 do	residence in Chicago		5,000
10 do	city lots in Chicago, $500 each		5,000
40 do	pianos, $500 each		20,000
20 do	melodeons, $150 each		3,000
100 do	family bibles, $20 each		2,000
200 do	gold watches, $150 each		30,000
200 do	do do $100 each		20,000
200 do	American silver watches, $65 each		13,000
200 do	lever hunting silver watches, $3 each		12,000
1,000 set silver plated tea spoons, $3 each			3,000
1,000 call bells, $3 each			3,000
1,000 silver plated fruit knives, $2 each			2,000
2,000 gold pens in boxes, $400 each			8,000
2,000 photograph albums, $5 each			10,000
2,000 gold pen holders, $5 each			10,000
238,043 gifts, worth			238,043

The drawing will take place after the concert, where 20,000 persons can witness it. A committee will be appointed by the audience to take charge of the same.
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 1866.

Gen. Grant at the White House.

Much surprise has been occasioned by the presence of Gen. Grant at the president's reception of the Philadelphia convention committee, and the democratic papers are endeaving to make capital of it. A Washington correspondent of *The Chicago Tribune* satisfactorily explains the matter thus: "It has transpired that Gen. Grant was not present of his own accord, but through a prearranged plan of Mr. Johnson and the managers. Just before the appointed time came for the interview, the President sent for Gen. Grant, saying he wanted to see him on business. When the general had hastened over from his headquarters, and had entered the president's room, the committee from Philadelphia was at once announced and ushered in, and Gen. Grant found himself a victim of the same cunning which so admirably controlled the great convention."

Delegates to Philadelphia.

The union state central committee have appointed delegates to the loyal Philadelphia convention on the 3d prox. as follows:

Ramsey.—Gen. J. T. Averill, Hon. C. D. Gilfillan, H. J. Horn.
Hennepin.—Hon. J. S. Pillsbury, Hon. D. Morrison, A. Halo.
Stearns.—Gen. C. C. Andrews, Col. Theodore H. Barrett.
Winona.—Hon. Wm. Windom, Hon. Thomas Simpson.
Blue Earth.—Hon. M. S. Wilkinson.
Olmstead.—Col. Stearns and Capt. J. A. Leonard.
Rice.—Hon. C. A. Wheaton.
Dakota.—Judge S. G. Renick,
Mower.—Col. H. C. Rogers.
Washington.—Louis Hospes.
Brown.—Hon. D. G. Shillock.

The Winona Democrat, in speaking of our article last week on the Philadelphia convention, says: "There's just where the democratic laugh came in! 'The people,' understanding 'the subject well,' 'will not be humbugged' by the radical rebels any longer, as the desertions from their ranks to the president abundantly illustrate. 'That's what's the matter.'" James sayeth wisely, and to the point. Every "rebel" indeed has deserted their "ranks" and joined the president, and they will hold the balance of power in his new party. Democrat, copperhead, rebel, traitor, Johnny, and Johnson man are fast becoming synonomous terms.

The city of Hudson, Wis., has suffered another loss by fire. The American House and stable, owned by M. L. Noyes, were burned on the 22d. Loss $7,000, and no insurance. Mr. Noyes was a heavy loser by the fire last May. The fire was caused by a drunken stage driver, who left a lighted candle in the stable.

Teachers and others interested in the cause of education should remember the convention at Faribault on Wednesday and Thursday, the 29th and 30th of this month. The results of this meeting will be of vast importance to the state, and it is very essential that there should be a full attendance.

Johnson is making a clean sweep among the radical office-holders in Wisconsin. A Milwaukee despatch announces the removal of Postmaster Wells, Assessor Bronson, and Collector Emerson, of that city, and the consequent appointment of "my policy" men as their successors.

Dispatches from the plains confirm the reports of renewed Indian hostilities. Trains have been burned and emigrants murdered. Indian guides report a battle at Fort Reno, in which from thirty-five to forty soldiers were killed, and that the Indian war had recommenced with untold fury.

The following is in the platform of the republicans of Shelby Co., Ill.:

"*Resolved*, That we are in favor of Andrew Johnson *as he was*, Congress as it is, and the doctrine that treason was odious, shall be made odious, and continue to be odious."

THE HASTINGS CONSERVER gives its readers six columns of state news arranged by counties—more information in regard to Minnesota than is furnished by any other paper.—*Lake City Leader.*

Mr. Albert A. Adkins, of Oswego, N. Y., telegraph operator at Prescott, died on the 25th of typhoid fever, aged [illegible]

MINNESOTA NEWS.

BLUE EARTH COUNTY.

From The Mankato Record, 18th.

On Wednesday afternoon the corner stone of the Episcopal Church at this place was laid, the Rev. A. Spor, in the absence of Bishop Whipple, performing the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. G. S. Tanner, of Faribault, and the Rev. E. P. Gray, of Shakopee.

The body of Nicholas Kelkin, who was drowned on Wednesday of last week in the Minnesota River opposite this place, was found on Sunday last, about two miles below town, in a bend of the river, having carried there by the swift current. It was taken in charge by his relatives, and buried.

The steamer Enterprise arrived at our levee on Sunday, the Hudson on Monday, the Mankato on Tuesday, the Cutter and Otter on Wednesday, the Flora on Tursday and the Chippewa Falls on Friday—each towing barges. All loaded with wheat on their return trips, taking out in all about 65,000 bushels, from Captain Davidson's warehouses.

Our old friend Wm. R. Price, of South Bend, this week sold the beautiful falls of Minneinneopa, and forty acres of land adjoining the same, to D. C. Evans, esq., of the same place. These are among the prettiest falls in the state, and are destined some day to become a popular place of resort. Mr. Evans intends selling the same again, as soon as a purchaser can be found who will be willing to improve them. The price paid was $1,000.

In 1864 the total assessed valuation of property in this county was $1,259,763; in 1866 it is $2,242,812,—an increase in two years of nearly one million. Mankato has increased nearly $250,000, and ranks as the wealthiest town in the county. Next in Vernon Center, which has outstripped both Garden City and Shelby since 1864; Shelby is third, Garden City fourth, and McPherson fifth, which latter town ranked eleventh two years ago. The greatest proportionate increase has been on the reservation. The new towns of Beauford and Rapidan, in 1864, were not organized at that time, but now the former has nearly forty thousand dollars and the letter seventy-eight thousand. Medo has over ten times the amount then returned, while McPherson has increased four hundred per cent. Every town in the county shows a commendable increase, and the exhibit is flattering to every citizen.

CHISAGO COUNTY.

From The Taylor's Falls Reporter, 18th.

We learn that Col. Noble has returned home from his recent trip to this valley, and reports his prospects favorable for raising a sufficient capital to warrant him in building a boat suitable for dredging purposes. We trust the good work so auspiciously began may result in a good four foot channel from this place to Prescott.

DODGE COUNTY.

From The Mantorville Express, 17th.

A proposition has been made by Mr. P. S. Ruth to build an Episcopal church in Mantorville, which shall cost not less than four thousand dollars, provided that our citizens will contribute two thousand dollars on and before the first day of June, 1867, with which to purchase a parsonage.

The present week has been favorable to the harvesters, thus gladening thousands of hearts that had been desponding since the great and long continued rain. Minnesota farmers have never known such bad weather for the commencement of harvesting. Farmers say that the ground yet, in places anyways low, is so soft that heavy reapers cannot pass over it. We hear that a good deal of hay has been injured and lost.

We understand that the citizens of this place and vicinity are taking steps to raise a fund to assist Mr. J. E. Porter in rebuilding his mill-dam. We think this is a wise move. This mill is a necessity to the community, as there is but one now in operation near us, and without assistance Mr. Porter could not rebuild it for some time. We do not know how soon Mr. Adams will rebuild his dam. His expense will be greater than Mr. Porter's.

No stranger passing through our place can fail to see that we have an inexhaustible quarry of superior building stone. But all do not know that it is the only good quarry for many miles around us, and that there is no better in the state. We have several first class stone cutters here who are constantly receiving orders from abroad. Stone used for building purposes has been carted in wagons to Austin and also to Rochester, before the advent of the cars, and now it is taken by the railroad both to Rochester and westward to Owatonna. A gentleman interested in the quarry informs us that there has been over 5,000 feet of good stone quarried this season, besides an immense amount of broken stone. Had the railroad run near, thus saving the two miles of wagoning to the depot, the stone trade would have been second only to the wheat trade in our county.

FARIBAULT COUNTY.

From The Free Homestead, 22d.

A Mr. Gaffer living in the town of Lura, in this county, met with an accident one day last week which resulted in his death. He was trying to attach to his reaper a young horse. The horse became frightened at the machine and could not be got near it. He was finally blindfolded and led up to the reaper to be hitched to it. Mr. Gaffer then stepped up to him and put his hand on the horse to make it stand over so that the trace could be fastened. This frightened the horse again and it kicked, strik- [illegible]

FILLMORE COUNTY.

From The Chatfield Democrat, 25th.

Our friend Charles Cole informs us that he had a field of potatoes on the river bottom near town which was overflown and under water for at least twelve hours, yet his crop of potatoe bugs were not in the least injured, but seemed to be refreshed and even more vigorous after their bath.

GOODHUE COUNTY.

From The Red Wing Argus, 23d.

Some little excitement was had here last week, occasioned by the deaths, on the levee, of two infortunate immigrants, a father and child, who left the mother and other children, poor strangers in a strange land. The father was attacked by cholera before being landed, the daughter soon after. The evening was chilly and damp, and both died before any proper shelter could be provided for them.

From The Goodhue County Republican, 24th.

We hear that the new school house is to be formally dedicated on Monday evening, Sept. 3d. The exercises will consist of addresses, music, etc., and will take place in the large hall, finished off in the upper part of the building.

HENNEPIN COUNTY.

From The State Atlas, 22d.

Mr. Geo. C. King, of Hastings, has made a propositiou to furnish a steam fire engine, similar to that of St. Paul, on the following very reasonable terms: Expenses of delivering the machine from Seneca Falls, N. Y., to Minneapolis, Minn., cash. One note of $1,750, due six months after date, at 7 per cent. per annum. One note of $1,750, twelve months after date, at 7 per cent. per annum. One note of $1,750, eighteen months after date, at 7 per cent per annum.

There will be a grand temperance convention held in Minneapolis, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 25th and 26th, to which will be invited all good templar lodges, all other temperance organizations, and all temperance men of the state. The good templars here are bound to do something to push forward the great temperance reform.

We are pleased to know that Capt. L. P. Plummer, of *The Chronicle*, has been breveted major in the U. S. volunteer service, to date from the 15th inst., for "honorable and meritorious service during the war." He was one of Minnesota's bravest and most faithful soldiers, and this well timed recognition will be a source of gratification to his many friends.

From The Minneapolis Chronicle, 25th.

We believe the property at St. Anthony, as we intimated several weeks since, is fixed up, so that good deeds and titles can be given to any one who wishes to purchase.

We are informed that the woolen factories and carding mills at the falls are laboring night and day with no prospect of relief, so great is the press of orders.

HOUSTON COUNTY.

From The Houston County Journal, 21st.

The grain is not all cut yet, although we think it will generally be saved. The crop will be much lighter, it it thought now, than the farmers had supposed it would be; the heavy rains falling at the time the pollen was on the bloom dashed it off, and thus blasted much of the upper part of the heads.

MCLEOD COUNTY.

From The Glencoe Register, 23d.

On last Tuesday night we received a visit from "Mr. Jack Frost," but as far as we can learn he did not do much mischief.

We understand that J. C. Merriman, the man that was arrested in this place last week, charged with larceny, has made his escape from the Chaska jail.

MOWER COUNTY.

From The Mower County Register, 16th.

There is a great scarcity of bricklayers. A number of good workman could find steady employment here, and good wages until snow flies.

A belfry is being erected upon the Baptist church. A bell is expected, which will probably be here in time to call the people together next Sunday morning. We understand the bell, though not very large, is of superior quality and tone.

We are sorry to record the fact that a portion of the dam across the Cedar at Gregson's mill was carried away by the high water a few days ago. Mr. Gregson has had about his share of ill luck in this line, we think. As soon as the water is sufficiently low, the dam will be repaired. It will, probably, be two or three weeks before grinding will again be done.

MONONGALIA COUNTY.

Mr. J. L. Whitley, of Burbank, in Monongalia County, was in town this week. He says the people of that county are rapidly perfecting their organization. They will vote this fall on the county seat question. Burbank will doubtless be the point selected. They are also attempting to have a post office and mail route established, and they most assuredly should have their request granted. Monongalia is a good republican county, thank the Lord!—*St. Cloud Democrat.*

NICOLLET COUNTY.

From The St. Peter Advertiser, 20th.

We learn that a Mr. Hotchkiss proposes to start a paper soon in LeSueur, of the democratic Philadelphia convention stripe.

The steamer Enterprise takes out today the last bushel of old wheat in store in the Valley. Three cheers for Woolley, and nine cheers for Commodore Davidson.

Ulm, which will be one of the finest edifices in Western Minnesota. Its dimensio s are about one hundred and twenty by sixty feet square, and it is to be finished in a magnificent style.

The odd fellows dedicated their new hall in this place on Wednesday evening. A large number of the order were present, and the ceremonies were very imposing. After the dedication, the members, with their ladies, repaired to the Hotel Stelzer, and partook of a splendid supper, and danced till 3 o'clock Thursday morning.

There are a great many strangers in this place, at present, the hotels being literally crowded. They are from the East and South, and have come here for either health or to enjoy sportsmen's life a few days on the plains west of St. Peter, and in the big woods east of the town. St. Peter is becoming famous as a resort for health seekers and sportsmen.

Dr. A. C. Smith, of Cleveland, informs us that the hay crop in the big woods is a failure this season, owing to the late heavy rains. Farmers in the big woods depend maicly on the marshes for hay, and, as they are filled with water, it is not getatable. Consequently, hay will be high-priced next winter in the timber.

John Herkelrath, Sen., of Traverse, met with his death on Friday forenoon last, by his team running away, and throwing him out of his wagon. The wagon passed over his chest, crushing it in so badly that he lived only about two hours after the accident. Mr. Herkelrath was sixty years of age, and came from Germany. He raised a large family, and was highly respected by all who knew him. The funeral took place on Saturday, and was largely attended.

From The St. Peter Tribune, 22d.

Farmers are busy in securing and threshing out their heavy crops of wheat and oats.

Mr. John Herkelrath, an old and respected citizen of Traverse, was thrown from his wagon and killed on Friday morning last. It appears that, while Mr. H. was standing on his wagon, his horses became frightened and started to run. Mr. H. lost his balance and fell under the wheels, which passed over his chest, crushing in the bones. He lived about two hours after the accident. He was buried on Saturday.

OLMSTEAD COUNTY.

From The Rochester Republican, 16th.

We regret to learn that much of the wheat cut before the storm has grown in the shock. We hope the damage is not as extensive as is feared, and that the fine weather now prevailing will arrest further injury to the grain.

From The Rochester Post, 18th.

Last Saturday, while the river was still up, Mr. Wm. Scidmore, in trying to swim a span of horses across the river at the Zumbro Street ford, got into deep water with them and one of the horses was drowned.

The Baptist sabbath school of Winona made an excursion to this place on Tuesday. There were five extra cars on the train, and we are told there were about four hundred persons in the party, three-quarters of them children. They had a pic-nic in McMahon's Grove, and went back in the afternoon train. They appeared to enjoy themselves greatly.

The Rev. Chas. Woodward has handed us some specimens of apples raised in his garden in this city. Mr. Woodward's lot is on a north slope well protected, and the trees, of which he has half a dozen bearing, are seven or eight years old, and are bearing this season for the first time. We do not know of what variety the apples are, but they are quite large and of excellent flavor. Fruit can be raised in Minnesota.

RICE COUNTY.

From The Central Republican, 22d.

The citizens of Faribault have subscribed $1,600 towards purchasing twenty acres additional for the deaf, dumb, and blind asylum located at that place.

We understand that some farmers have turned their cattle into their potato lots, the crop having been so damaged by the bugs as not to be worth harvesting. The prospect is that potatoes will be a scarce article in this section the coming winter.

RAMSEY COUNTY.

The Minnesota Staatszeitung, one of the best German papers in the west, will soon appear as a daily.

Trains are now running regularly on the Valley Road, from their depot at the foot of the bridge.—*Pioneer*, 26th.

The great government sale of mules and horses closed yesterday, at Fort Snelling, with the sale of ninety three mules. They brought $10,763 altogether, being an average of $115 each.—*Pioneer*, 25th.

The city council, in its last session, appointed Mayor Prince, Gen. Sibley, the Hon. J. B. Brisbin, Messrs. McCarty and Howard, and Ald. Beaumont delegates to attend the Douglas Monument ceremonies at Chicago on the 6th of September next.—*Pioneer*, 24th.

A sad and fatal accident happened at the Mansion House, St. Paul, on Tuesday. While M. A. Hawks, of Lincoln, Ill., was cleaning his revolver in his room, the charge acidentally exploded and the ball passed through the heart of his wife, who was sitting near, killing her instantly. Mr. H. was almost frantic with grief at this awful calamity. They were only lately married, and were there on their marriage tour.—*Press*, 21st.

One of the most despicable and mean robberies was perpetrated yesterday that the annals of crime ever recorded. Mr. [illegible] terday, had his pocket picked of $300, by some one who was attending him in his paroxysms of grief and sorrow. The money was in a pocket-book. Search was made around the premises, and the empty pocket-book soon after found in the stable, on a hay mow. The hostler was arrested on suspicion. We did not learn his name.—*Pioneer*, 22d.

Application was made to the government a short time ago by Gov. Marshall to have the temporary buildings at Fort Snelling, which had been abandoned by the secretary of war and transferred to the quartermaster's department, transferred to the state of Minnesota, to be used as an asylum for disabled soldiers. The governor yesterday received a reply to his request, and is informed that the government does not intend to entirely abandon the buildings in question; on the contrarr, they will be used as mammoth storehouses, in which to keep a vast amount of the government property which has heretofore been kept in rented buildings at St. Louis.—*Press*, 23d.

STEELE COUNTY.

From The Republican Journal, 16th.

The total number of acres in Steele County is 196,986, assessed at a valuation of $1,050,581.

Notwithstanding the heavy rains that have just past, it does not seem that the grain in this vicinity is damaged so much as was feared. Everything looks favorably now, and those fine days witness hundreds of men throughout the county cutting and tying up the grain.

SCOTT COUNTY.

From The Shakopee Argus, 23d.

We can stand at our office door and see a large portion of *four different counties*—Scott, Carver, Hennepin, and Dakota. We dare say there is no other point in the state where so extended a view can be had.

Our friend, Frank McDonald, esq., is now rapidly recovering, and is able to sit up a little. Fortunately, he had taken out an accidental policy in the Traveler's for $3,000 in case of death, or $15 00 per week compensation, durduring his disablement. This, although but a matter of dollars and cents, was a fortunate precaution upon his part, and should be a warning to others. It costs but a trifle to get an accidental policy, and the result often ends in blessings untold.

STEARNS COUNTY.

From The St. Cloud Democrat, 22d.

The railroad is now completed to within seven miles of this place, and the distance is being daily lessened at a surprising rate.

A man named Harvey Keys had both legs cut off below the knees yesterday, at Elk River. He is an assistant on one of the trains, and, while uncoupling the cars, fell between on the track and the wheels passed over his legs.

About six weeks ago, Gen. Adams had four horses stolen. Last week Sheriff Mickley, armed with a writ of replevin, obtained possession of them near Chippewa Agency. A great deal of credit is given the sheriff for his judicious management of this affair.

A flock of one hundred and sixty head of sheep passed through town on Tuesday morning bound for Richmond, in this county. They were owned by Messrs. Rockwell & Smith, by whom they had been brought from Missouri. These gentlemen drove into the state sixteen hundred head of sheep.

On Tuesday, as Mr. Ferdinand Hartman, living about two miles from town, was engaged in loading wheat, he tossed his fork on the wagon. He threw a little too hard, and it went entirely over, one prong entering the eye of his son, a lad of about seven years, passing into his brain, and causing instant death.

From The St. Cloud Times, 25th.

The cars are within four miles of St. Cloud. On Tuesday evening next you will probably hear a locomotive whistle.

WASECA COUNTY.

From The Wilton News, 16th.

The weather has been very fine for a few days past, and harvesting is progressing finely. The recent rains have undoubtedly done some damage to the grain which was cut before the wet weather commenced, but that was only a small portion of the whole crop. The potato crop is very much injured, if not altogether destroyed, by the wet weather—the rot having taken possession of nearly every field. The corn and sorghum crops, however, seem to have been benefitted—they have done some prodigious growing during the past three weeks. We are told by farmers that the grain which was standing during the storm is not materially injured. Considerable hay throughout the county has been entirely destroyed by the rains, but, as there is plenty of good grass left hay enough may yet be made.

From The Wilton News, 23d.

Ole Halverson, of Richland, had one of his hands caught in a reaper, and so badly crushed that three of his fingers had to be amputated by Surgeon Gove, of this place.

A daughter, ten years old, of Mr. Keeley, of Alton, fell from a load of hay—the binding pole followed, striking her upon the left arm, producing a bad fracture of humerus through the condyles.

WABASHA COUNTY.

From The Wabasha Herald, 23d.

Prof. Osten, having changed his residence to Winona, the Wabasha and Read's Landing boys have consolidated under the leadership of Prof. Brunner. We are happy to note this change. The [illegible] proficiency in their respective departments.

We learn that on Wednesday last, Andrew Johnson, a young man about twenty-four years of age, recently from Stattonville, Penn., was drowned in the Zumbro at McCreekin's Ford, while attempting to swim his horses across the stream. Mr. Johnson came among us last spring, and designed to make our county his permanent home. He was highly respected by all who knew him. He leaves no family, but a circle of relatives and friends here, to mourn his loss.

From The Lake City Leader, 28th.

The business of Lake City during the past year has amounted to $1,610,000.

On Monday last Messrs. R. C. Terrell, G. C. Stout, Col. Gesner, and Capt. Sterry bagged one hundred and sixty-eight chickens—the largest number ever brought to Lake City as the result of one day's chicken shooting, one hundred and thirteen having previously been the highest number.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

From The Stillwater Messenger, 22th.

At an early hour on Monday morning, the residence and out buildings of Mr. Peter Redelsberger, on the west shore of Lilly Lake, were discovered on fire. It appears that the family had been absent since Sunday morning, and, when the fire was discovered by the neighbors, the house and barn were entirely enveloped in flames, resulting in the total destruction of buildings and contents. The only property left to the family is the clothes they were wearing. Among the losses sustained was a foreign draft for a considerable sum; but this, under proper representations, can no doubt be renewed. All the circumstances indicate that the fire was the work of an incendiary. There was an insurance of $1000 on the property, but subsequent investigation has revealed the fact that the policy was issued by a bogus or broken down company—another salutary warning against insuring with itinerant agents when we have at our doors scores of responsible citizen agents of responsible companies.

WINONA COUNTY.

From The Winona Republican, 15th.

We have had laid upon our table some specimen apples raised in this city by Mr. Edward Worthington. The fruit is of good size, sound, and possesses a rich flavor. Mr. W. will have several bushels of apples from his trees this season, and feels confident that the successful experiments which he has made must have great weight in the question of apple growing in this section.

A large pile of mammoth chests attracted our attention on the levee, this morning. We naturally concluded that another ship had come in from Norway, and sent the greater number of her passengers, as usual, to Minnesota. Good for the Norwegians! They are clear-headed in seeking the land of milk and honey. The company was composed of some six or seven hundred; about three hundred of whom landed here.

Wm. Richardson has purchased of Dr. T. B. Welch the second lot south of the new bank building on Center Street, for $700. That real estate estate in Winona is appreciating in value is partly attested by the fact that this lot was bought, about eighteen months ago, by Wm. Mitchell, esq., for $300. Last May he sold it to Dr. Welch for $550; and the doctor has lately sold it as stated above, making an increase in valuation of $400 in eighteen months.

The young man who escaped from jail the other day, and in his flight took along Sheriff King's horse, was overtaken by the sheriff, on Tuesday, out near St. Charles, and brought back to his old quarters in the jail. This scape grace, whose name is Henry Latimer, is but a mere boy—not over sixteen or seventeen years of age. The offense for which he is now undergoing imprisonment, that of stealing a watch, is not his first by any means, for we understand that he previously graduated from the state prison, to which he had been committed for the crime of horse stealing.

From The Winona Democrat, 18th.

Several loads of new wheat appeared in our market this week, but we learn it was graded as No. 2.

WRIGHT COUNTY.

From The Monticello Statesman, 25th.

A frost occurred in this locality on Tuesday and Wednesday nights of this week, sufficient to kill most of the vines.

Gov. Morton's warning to young men: "You are just starting in life, with the world all before you, when and how to choose. Beware how you connect yourselves with a decayed and dishonored party, indelibly stained with treason, and upon whose tombstone the historian will write; 'False to liberty, false to its country, and false to the age in which it lived.'

"The democratic party has committed a crime for which history has no pardon, and the memories of men no forgetfulness; whose colors grow darker from age to age, and for which the execration of mankind become more bitter from generation to generation.

The London Times, in an article on the superiority of the American guns, both large and small, over the English, says: "The most defective breach-loader known to the American is an immeasurably more serviceable arm than the needle gun which has started the war department into a spasm of activity, while some of the best of their rifles have scarcely been seen in this country. It is exactly the same with their navy; while we are hesitating and delaying, the Americans are working and finish- [illegible]

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Hastings, Aug. 24th, 1866. 20-tf

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Union State Convention.

The union electors of the state of Minnesota, who are in favor of asserting and maintaining the rights of the loyal people through their representatives in congress to prescribe the conditions on which the late rebel states shall be allowed to participate in the general government, and who favor the proposed amendment to the federal constitution, are requested to send delegates to a convention to be held in Ingersoll's Hall, in St. Paul, Minn., on Wednesday, the 19th day of September, 1866, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for state auditor and clerk of the supreme court, to be supported at the general election, and for transacting such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The several counties will be entitled to delegates as follows, viz:

Anoka	1	Mille Lac	1
Benton	1	Monongalia	1
Blue Earth	4	Morrison	1
Brown	1	Mower	2
Carver	3	Nicollet	3
Cass	1	Olmsted	8
Crow Wing	1	Otter Tail	1
Chisago	1	Pine	1
Cottonwood	1	Ramsey	8
Dakota	7	Redwood	1
Douglas	1	Renville	1
Dodge	3	Rice	6
Faribault	2	St. Louis	1
Fillmore	8	Scott	1
Freeborn	2	Sherburne	1
Goodhue	7	Sibley	2
Hennepin	8	Stearns	4
Houston	4	Steele	2
Isanti	1	Todd	1
Jackson	1	Wabasha	6
Kandiyohi	1	Waseca	2
Kanabec	1	Washington	4
LeSueur	4	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Winona	7
McLeod	1	Wright	2
Meeker	1		

Delegates from unorganized counties not named will be subject to the action of the convention.

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Union State Central Committee.

St. Paul, Aug. 10, 1866.

Congressional Convention.

The republican union electors of the second congressional district are requested to send delegates to a convention to be holden at Ingersoll's Hall at 11 o'clock A. M., in the city of St. Paul, on Thursday, the 20th day of September, 1866, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for representative in congress from said district. The several counties will be entitled to delegates as follows:

Anoka	1	Morrison	1
Benton	1	Meeker	1
Carver	3	Mille Lac	1
Cass	1	Monongalia	1
Chisago	1	Otterfail	1
Crow Wing	1	Pine	1
Dakota	7	Ramsey	8
Douglas	1	St. Louis	1
Goodhue	7	Sherburne	1
Hennepin	8	Stearns	4
Isanti	1	Todd	1
Kandiyohi	1	Wabasha	6
Kanabec	1	Wright	2
Mcleod	1	Washington	4

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2d Con. District Committee.

St. Paul, Aug. 9, 1866.

County Convention.

The electors of Dakota County, who subscribe to the principles of the great union party, and to the call for a state convention, are invited to send delegates to a county convention to be held in Teutonia Hall, Hastings, on Saturday, Sept. 15th, 1866, at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing seven delegates to the state and congressional conventions, to be held in St. Paul on the Wednesday and Thursday following.

The several towns will be entitled to delegates as follows, based upon the republican vote for governor last fall:

Burnsville	1	Lebanon	1
Castle Rock	2	Marshan	1
Douglas	1	Mendota	1
Eagan	1	Nininger	2
Empire City	2	Randolph	1
Eureka	2	Ravenna	1
Greenvale	1	Rosemont	1
Hampton	1	Sciota	1
Hastings	10	Vermillion	1
Inver Grove	2	Waterford	2
Lakeville	2	West St. Paul	2

It is recommended that the several town committees hold their caucusses on Thursday evening previous, at the usual places of holding elections, so far as practicable.

Per order of county committee.
IRVING TODD, Chairman.

Hastings, Aug. 21, 1866.

Miscellaneous Items.

A man found dead on a London door step had $10,000 in his pocket.

A German newspaper states that a young man recently married a widow twice his age, and he ascertained subsequently that his wife had once been his wet nurse.

John Nichols, of Danvers, Mass., eighty-three years of age, has just gathered in, with his own hands, his seventy-third successive year's hay crop, and he thinks himself good for a few more to come.

French authorship pays rather handsomely. Thiers sold his two great historical works for $100,000 each. Dumas *pere* has earned by his pen $900,000, of which he has saved nothing. Madame Sand has taken an average of $10,000 for each of her 76 volumes, and $80,000 more for her plays—$840,000 in all—which will do for a woman.

The Boston Traveller says:—This city and suburbs will contain in a few years the finest collection of statuary to be found in America, and will comprise the following: Washington, at the State House; Franklin, at City Hall; Webster, in State House yard; Horace Mann, do; Storey, Winthrop, John Adams, and James Otis, at the Chapel, Mount Auburn; Warren, at Bunker Hill; Alexander Hamilton, at Commonwealth Avenue; Ceres, Pomona, Flora, on Tremont Street, Horticultural Hall. To be erected; Edward Everett, Common; equestrian statue of Washington, do.; equestrian statue of Colonel Shaw, State House yard; Ether Monument, Public Garden. We are not particularly acquainted with the statuary in the other Atlantic cities, but we have the impression that Boston in number and excellence must suppass them all. We, in this list, have omitted some excellent works of art in Mount Auburn and Forest Hills, such as the statues of Bowditch, Ballou, etc.

Recompense.

"Is that Oldtown church yonder, if you please, Sir?"

A girl spoke to me. I turned and looked at her. There are women of sixteen and children of sixteen. This one was a child. She wore the scantiest of cotton dresses, belted at the waist, a pair of leather boots, and a white apron. In her hand she carried a sunbonnet, and her hair, cropped close like a boy's, curled in black rings about her head. The face was a baby's face in sweetness and in innocence, the little brown hands the hands of toil. No young lady this, yet there was nothing coarse and vulgar about her unless it were those hands.

"That is Oldtown church, my dear," I said. "Are you going there?"

"Yes, Sir, to see the wedding. Are you?"

I was, more fool I, though I did not say so to this child. The bride for whom the bells were ringing was to be mine once, would have been but for the accident which had crippled me and changed her heart. She had done nothing openly trencherous, but I saw the truth and set her free. She took her freedom gladly, and we were two. She had quite forgotten me, no doubt. I believed then I never could forget her.

I knew exactly how she would look in snowy silk and lace and coronet of pearls. I had dreamed of her in bridal robes so often.

I nodded to the little thing beside me, trudging over the meadow path with tall grass almost to her waist, and looking at me wistfully.

"I never saw a wedding," she said.

"No?"

"No, sir. Grandfather said I might come. He didn't care himself. It's a long walk too, from the tavern, and he's very old."

"Does your grandfather keep the tavern?" I asked.

"No, sir—I wish he did!" said the child. "He has only his fiddle, and people half the time don't care for tunes. What else can *he* do though? To-night there's a dance, and he's to play for them. That's why we stopped."

A poor fiddler's untaught grand-child—as poor as decent poverty could be—yet her presence somewhat cheered me. Half child, half woman, and a child at heart. Innocent and beautiful and kindly. I encouraged her to linger at my side. I said to her:

"I will show you a place where you can see the bride well. It is in the gallery. Will you like that?"

"I don't know," said she. "I havn't often been to church. We pray together in lonely places, grandfather and I. Will you be there, Sir?"

"Yes."

"I know I should like it."

"Come with me then," I said, and she followed.

I had meant to hide myself in the gallery, and see my lost love married quite unseen. This companionship had not been in my *role* at all. But I liked it. No friend, no relation, not my own sister, would I have had beside me; but this selfish thing was too innocent to fear. I led the way up the dark old stairs, and toward a spot quite sheltered from general view. Then I sat down and she stood leaning over the balustrade.

The church was full of bonnets. Here and there only a masculine head. The minister was in his seat reading, in a position taken for effect. He was a handsome man, and knew it perfectly well.

Girls whispered and giggled, matrons fanned themselves, and men yawned. Soon the soft roll of carriages on the gravel path was heard, and the bridal party entered. I saw her at last. Aletta.

"Is that the bride?" half-sobbed the girl's voice at my side. "Is it a real lady? She looks like wax. Oh, how pretty, how beautiful! Look! look!"

She touched me with her little brown hand, and looked at me, her eyes sparkling.

"Did you ever see her before?" she asked. "Is she like that in every day clothes? Oh, how pretty! how pretty!"

Men have no right to weep. I put my head down upon the cushion of the pew and hid my eyes. I felt the child creep close beside me.

"Poor thing, he's tired!" I heard her whisper, and put her little hand out and patted me softly by stealth.

Soon I looked down into the church again, and saw Grant Stanton kiss his bride.

"Is it all over?" asked the girl.

"Yes, child," I said; "All over."

"Then I must go," said she. Thank you for being so kind to me, Sir. Good-bye."

"Good-bye," I said, and her little leather shoes pattered over the aisle and down stairs, and I had seen, as I thought, the last of her. When she had gone I missed her strangely.

I went home when the church was quite empty. It had not been as hard to bear as I had feared, and, oddly enough, I found myself thinking of that child's little gipsy head, and those beautiful long-fringed eyes. I wondered at myself, but it was so.

"I should like to see the child again," I said, and as I spoke I spied a crowd about a tavern door upon the road.

It was a poor place, and poor rough people made up the group. But it was plainly no common quarrel or drinking bout which had brought them there, for their faces were all grave and their voices suppressed. I crossed the road.

"What has happened, friend?" I asked of a tinker near by.

"Only a blind fiddler dropped dead," he said. "But there's a gal wild about it."

And then I passed him and went in. An old man lay upon the floor, and across his body a girl had flung herself. I knew the gipsey's hair and brown neck, the scant cotton dress and the sunbonnet, flung with a handful of wild flowers upon the floor; and I bent over

"My child," I said, "he is happier than we are."

And she looked up.

"He was all I had," she said; "all, all!"

So had I thought when Aletta gave me back our bethrothal ring. My heart ached for her. I said no other word, but I led her to an inner room, while two men bore the dead man up stairs. She wept wildly, but my presence seemed to comfort her.

After a while she drew closer to me, and, sitting on a low stool, leaned her forehead on my knee. Soon my hand rested on it, and in an hour she sobbed herself to sleep.

I said a few words to the landlady, when I arose to leave; and she promised to attend to my orders, enforced by the contents of my pocket-book.

"The girl shan't go until I hear from you, Sir." she said. "Indeed, I don't know where she would go to. She seems friendless, and such a child for her age. Thank you, Sir!"

And I went on my way again, thinking not of Aletta, but of the dead fiddler's grandchild. This sun-drowned waif, so simple and so ignorant, so friendless and alone.

I was young yet—not five-and-twenty—a bachelor, and likely to be one my life long. I had no proper home to take her to, and no friend to aid me. At last, in my extremity, I thought of Betty—old Betty, who had once been my nurse, and who loved me as she might her own son—and in the gloaming. I made my way to her poor home. I found her trimming her vines in the bit of garden-ground, and had my usual kiss across the fence even before the gate was opened.

"I've been thinking about you," she said. "I knew it was you as soon as I heard some one coming. 'Tisn't every young gentleman would weary himself to see an old body like me. Sit down honey, and rest."

"I came to ask a favor, Betty," I said.

"Just name it, Master Bertie."

"Will you take a boarder, Betty?"

"Bless me! In my two rooms?"

"Only a child, Betty."

"A child—Master Albert!"

I told her of the fiddler's death and of the girl.

"I have money enough," I said, "but no female relatives. I can only come to you."

"You always were kind-hearted from a boy," said she. "I'll take the little girl, Master Bertie."

Then she put both hands on my shoulders.

"You haven't fretted, have you?" she asked.

"Fretted?" I asked "Why?"

"Nay, why indeed?" said old Betty. "Better fish in the sea than ever were caught yet." Then in a moment more she added:—"I've been to see the wedding."

I felt my face flush. "Shall I bring the girl to-morrow after her grandfather's funeral?" I asked.

"When you please," said Betty. "But, Master Albert, what do you mean to do with her?" You are doing all this in a hurry. Just think a bit."

"I mean to adopt the child," I said. "It will make me happy to have a young thing to care for."

Betty laughed. "You'll have things of your own, please God, some day," she said. "Why at your age life is before you."

"I shall never marry, Betty," I said.

She caught my fingers in a close clasp with her horny hard-working hand.

"I wish you was back again a baby on my knee, Master Bertie," she said. "I'd liked to sing you to sleep as I did then. Ah it's a grief to us old women to see the young we've nursed grow so tall and old, with their troubles so shut up in their own hearts that we can't comfort them. Going? Well, then, good-night! I'm ready for the child when you will. I'm ready for anything that will cheer you, Master Bertie. I ought to say Master Albert always now, I suppose: but the old times do come back so!"

I left her leaning over her gate looking wistfully after me, knowing as a mother might the grief which I had buried in my heart. And if her words had given me a pang, it was like some ointment which makes the wound smart in its very healing. It was something to be loved so even by an old nurse.

Late the next day I led my young charge from her grandfather's grave to Betty's cottage. She kept my hand upon the road as a little child might. I had no thought but that she was one, until old Betty's cry "Goodness, Master Bertie. I thought you said a young child! Why, *this* is a grown girl!" startled me into consciousness.

"It doesn't matter, does it, Betty?" I asked. She turned to the girl.

"Take off your bonnet," she said, a little grimly. "I want to look at you. What is your name?"

The girl obeyed. "I'm only Nelly Hay," she said, and stood to be looked at. Betty looked sternly at first, then pityingly.

"La, no! Master Bertie, it *don't* matter," said she. "I don't see any harm in her. There's a peg behind the door, child. You can hang your bonnet on that." And I left them together.

Not long, though; every day found some new errand to take me to the cottage. I put on elderly airs, and gave advice. I had her sent to school, and went through grave examinations on Saturday afternoons. I told old Betty that when I was a man of middle age I should take my little daughter home, and she should keep house for us. And I began to fancy, very soon, that there could be no such happiness as that a parent felt. The girl was growing tall, it is true, and I was only ten years older than she was; but, when she checked her light tread to keep pace with me, when the childish laugh bubbled and rippled at something which could only make me smile, I felt that years are not the only things which age us.

I was working hard at my profession a year I found that I could pass Aletta on her husband's arm without a pang. In a year more I wondered whether she had changed, or whether I fancied black curls more than golden bands, for I found myself thinking my little daughter much the prettiest.

In the sultry evenings I used to leave red tape and parchment and go out to Betty's cottage to have tea with her and my adopted child. Then, while she polished up the cups, Nellie Hay and I used to walk down the river side. Tall as she was growing, I had a way of holding her hand still; and we such pleasant talks! such odd, unwordly chatter. Those walks and simple tea-drinkings rested the brain, wearied with law business, quarrels, and quibbles, and stratagems, more than I can tell.

The rough hands had grown softer now, the waist taper, the bust full. The sweep of woman's robes, the tread of woman's lightly-shod feet, had taken the place of clumping leather boots and scant cotton skirts.

I knew this, but Nellie was a child to me all the same. Was I not by adoption her father? Of course she always would be young to me; and why I felt so angry if by chance some gay young farmer chatted with her over the fence, or some neighbor saw her home from church, I could not tell. "An old man's temper, I suppose," I said, and sighed like a young one.

So three years passed. At the end of that time Aletta's husband died. They had quarreled, and she hade made him woefully jealous, it was said; and all his property, save a mere pittance, was willed to strangers.

One day a lady in black walked into my office; when she lifted her veil I saw Aletta Stanton's face, closer to me than it had been since we parted. My heart gave no wild throb; I felt as though I were a mere stranger.

Courteously and quite calmly I heard her business. She intended to contest the will and needed advice. I gave her what I could. I referred her to a brother lawyer as the one who would best espouse her case. As for myself I told her truly that my time was too completely occupied to undertake anything more, and I wished her success.

She looked at me wistfully, with her great blue eyes full of tears, as she arose to go.

"It was cruel of him," she said, "very cruel to leave me so poor; but he was never kind, never—not in honey-moon even."

"I regret to hear it," I said.

"I could expect nothing more," she said; "I did not love him—I never loved but one, and that one—"

She paused and looked at me.

"That one I love still," she said.

And heaven knows no feeling of revenge or petty triumph was in my heart when I looked in Aletta Stanton's eyes if I did not understand her and courteously bowed her out.

"Did I ever care for that woman?" I thought, "or is it all a dream?"

I took my adopted child to the theatre that night and we saw The Lady of Lyons together. It was her first playgoing experience, and she enjoyed it immensely. She wore a white dress and bonnet and the coral drops I had fastened a few days before in her little ears. I was very proud of her. I could not help looking into her eyes, touching her hand with mine. When I left her I kissed her.

"Good-night, my child," I said.

And she answered "Good-night," with the cheek dyed on the instant deeper scarlet, and ran away as Betty came out to chat with me.

From that night I dated an odd change. My adopted child seemed shy of letting me keep her hand—shy even of chatting as she did. She was graver, more womanly. I fancied she did not care for me as she did. Perhaps some of the farmers who leaned over the gate at sunset, some of those young fellows who so often escorted her home from church, had won her from me. I grew a little moody. I found myself in brown studies when I should have been at work. At last I was determined to discover whether I was really to lose my child, and went down to the cottage. I found her there sitting at work with Betty.

After all, it was no easy task. I could not do it as I had hoped. I tried jesting, and spoke of one and of the other young fellows near.

"We shall have Nellie stolen from us I suppose?" I said. "There is nothing so easily lost from a family as a pretty daughter. But who is to have you, Nellie?"

She looked at me as children look before they burst into tears—her chin quivered, her throat swelling—then she dropped her work, and stole from the room without answering me.

"What ails the child, Betty?" I asked. "Have I offended her?"

Old Betty stood before me sturdy and stern—a look in her face I had never yet seen there.

"Master Albert," she said, "whatever she was when she came here, Nellie is no child now. Oh, Master Albert, I can't believe you've done it on purpose? You couldn't—such a sweet, innocent thing!—but it's done. All I can say is, go away, or let her go, and may be the wound will heal. I ought have spoken in time. I was an old fool. Oh, how could you, Master Albert?—how could you?"

"What have I done?" I cried. "I would rather die than harm her."

"And yet you've made her love you," said Betty, sternly. "You who knew you never would love her. You've been very selfish, Master Albert."

A new light dawned upon me, a radiance brilliant beyond my hopes.

"Betty, said I," you are dreaming. She must think me old enough to be a grandfather, with my long face and bald crown and this crutch. I've had one dream broken; don't set me dreaming again for heaven's sake!"

Old Betty looked at me, then caught my face in both of her hands—and kis-

"Master Bertie," she said, "I shan't tell you a word more. The child is under the grape-vine yonder; go and find out what you want to know for yourself. You silly, handsome, good-for-nothing fellow!"

I found my child under the grape-vine, her face wet with tears. I sat down by her and put my arm around her waist.

"Nellie," said I, "don't shrink from me. I am your true friend. Your friend, whatever answer you may give me now. I am older than you. I am not vain enough to think myself a young girl's beau-ideal. But I love you dearly, Nelly. Can you love me enough to be my wife? If you cannot, if another claims your heart, do not say 'Yes' from gratitude. Tell me the truth, and still retain a father's, brother's, friend's affection, Nelly?"

I bent over her, and my life seemed in her keeping. Until that moment I had not known myself. I loved her madly. I felt it now better, far better, than in my youth I had loved Aletta Stanton.

She spoke no word.

"Nellie?" I said. "Nellie?" and a brown hand was laid of its own accord in mine, and beneath my gaze those dark eyes dare not lift themselves, but hid their sweetness on my breast. Nellie was mine.

I sat with her beating heart so near my own, and thought it all over. I remembered the child in its cotton gown standing in the gallery of the church on that wedding morn. I remembered the child whom I had taught; the girl with whom I had passed such happy hours. And I felt that this living love sprung, phœnix-like, from the ashes of the dead one, was the purest feeling of my life.

So my old fancy of keeping house with my child came true at last; only when she crossed the threshold of my home with me did I call her wife. And still the touch of her brown hand brings comfort with it; still her sweet voice is better to me than all the music in the world. And, as in my youth I fancied myself old, surely in my age I shall believe myself young, for while we love and are beloved youth can never die, and while we live I and my Nellie much love each other.

What is Vanilla?

"Lemon or vanilla?" is the question usually asked when one orders ice-cream, showing the great popularity of these two flavors. Of the many who are fond of this peculiar, and, to most persons, delicious aromatic, probably but few know anything more about it than that it is a sort of bean, as the article is known in commerce under the name of "vanilla beans." Vanilla is one of the few economical products of that remarkable family of plants known as orchids, or *orchidaceæ*, so prized by the florist for the great beauty of its flowers, and so interesting for the botanist for the wonderful modifications of structure the flowers present. We have a number, such as the lady's slippers, orchises, etc., which are all terrestrial, or grow in the soil; but in the tropics, where they abound, most of them grow upon the branches of trees, and draw all their sustenance from the air; hence when these plants are cultivated in hot-houses they are popularly known as "air-plants." The vanilla differs from most other orchids in being a climbing-vine, clothing a dead trunk of a tree. It throws out great numbers of aerial roots, by which it clings, and produces very thick shining leaves. The flowers of the vanilla are not as showy as those of most of the family, and are produced in clusters that are succeeded by bunches of long slender pods, which are the "beans" of commerce. It is worthy of note that the flowers of the vanilla are dependent upon the help of insects, or they will produce no fruit. In tropical America, the native home of the plant, there are insects which understand how to do this, but in the East Indies, where the plant is cultivated, there are either not the right sort of insects, or they are less acute than the American ones, as vanilla produces no fruit unless the flowers are fertilized by hand. The pods are some six or eight inches long, narrow, three-sided, and, if allowed to remain on the plant, finally burst into three valves or parts, and scatter the minute black seeds. The pods are gathered when fully developed, dried in the sun, and afterward rolled up in parcels where they undergo a sort of fermentation, or sweating process, to develope the odor. It is said that the fruit allowed to dry without this treatment possesses very little aroma. The pods are afterward oiled, done up in bundles, and sent to market. The best will be found to be frosted with minute crystals which are the aromatic principal. The name of the plant is *vanilla aromatica*;—vanilla is a Spanish word, meaning a little pod. The Tonqua bean, sweet-scented vernal-grass, Seneca-grass, Melilot, and some other plants, have an odor resembling that of vanilla, and contain the same or a very closely related aromatic principal. Indeed, the Tonqua bean is often substituted for vanilla in flavoring, and the "extracts of vanilla" are frequently wholly or in part made of it. The Tonqua bean is much less expensive than vanilla, but the substitution can only deceive those who are not familiar with the flavor of the two. —*American Agriculturist.*

A report made by the directors of the London Pneumatic dispatch shows that since certain improvements have been made, it appears that one hundred and twenty tons of goods can be passed through the tube per hour, at the rate of eighteen miles an hour, at the cost of under 1d. a ton per mile. The directors have also ascertained, from statistical information furnished them by the directors of the London and North-western Railway Company, that the line of tube, when completed, will return a

AGRICULTURAL.

How to Raise Early Grain or Vegetables.

In localities where seasons are comparatively short—where last frost is liable to cut down the young plants, and early frost to damage the fruit or grain—it is of great importance that seed for future crops be raised and secured with great care. It will require the exercise of much good care for many successive years to effect any remarkably *good* change in any crop with reference to its early maturity. But, on the contrary, by exercising *no* care, it will be easy to manage in such a manner as to have plants mature very late in the season, and at the same time to yield an crop. If we desire to have crops ripen early, we may have the pleasure of seeing our efforts to secure such a result crowned with good success. But if that is a subject which gives us but little anxiety, our contented desire will be satisfied by seeing ours come to maturity long after our enterprising neighbors have harvested *their* fields of grain.

Now, if we desire to raise early grain, or early vegetables of any kind, we must select the seed that ripens the very first. The first ripe panicles of carrot seed and parsnip seed, the first ripe pods of beans, peas, or other leguminous plants, and the first ripe pods of turnip seed, if selected carefully every year, will effect a very desirable improvement in the crop, both in its excellence as to quantity and quality, as well as in the period of early maturity. But by planting the half-ripe and late seed the crop will degenerate very rapidly.

By planting only a small part of the seed end of potatoes for several successive seasons where they will receive the best of cultivation, a kind of potatoe may be produced that will be fit to dig several weeks before those potatoes would mature that are treated in the usual way. These considerations hold good concerning the entire vegetable kingdom; and the young farmer may avail himself of very great advantages arising from them, if he will commence in good time. By saving the first ripe seed from year to year, all our early vegetables and grain have been brought to their present excellence; and if the first ripe seed be not carefully saved from year to year, we cannot reasonably expect our crops will ripen early, nor remunerate us for the labor bestowed in their cultivation.—*N. Y. Independent.*

Good Fruit.

In all this growing disposition we find now for fruit cultivation, let it be distinctly understood that what is wanted is *good* fruit. The public taste is being fast educated, and we find already that what is really good never goes a begging in the market, but brings always a high and remunerative price. When the market is glutted, it is only with inferior sorts. As Mr. Webster said of the crowded profession of law, there is "room enough in the upper story." There is room enough always for good grapes, good strawberries, good blackberries, good fruits of every sort. Because the crowd in the lower story *will* produce only poor sorts, in a poor way, and because, as we remarked before, the public taste is fast improving. Thousands are looking for good fruit, who were formerly satisfied with what was very poor, and the taste for the good grows faster than the ability to produce it. Let any one but observe the extraordinary difference of price between the miserable little strawberries which overrun our markets, and the magnificent specimens of the finer sorts, which are cultivated with some degree of care.

Then, as to the manner of putting fruit into the market, much is to be learned. A great many of our fruit dealers do not yet understand the impression made upon the purchaser by the exhibition of carelessness in putting up fruit and presenting it for sale. A successful grape grower who, while he grows good grapes, takes special care to show them to the best advantage, says that no fruit pays for a little extra attention better than the grape. "Good grapes," he says, "neatly packed in fancy paper pockets, will always sell at remunerative prices, however much the market may be glutted with fruits put up in a slovenly manner."—*American Farmer, (Baltimore.)*

How to Provide Water for Fowls.

The Massachusetts Ploughman says: Pure water, and an abundance of it, is of very great importance now; if a running stream is not accessible from the yard, and it is highly desirable that it should be, the water should be kept in a shady place, and, in order that it may be clean and wholesome, it should be so arranged that but little of it should be exposed at a time. A good plan by which this may be secured is as follows: Procure a large glass jug, a vitriol carboy, for instance, and fill it with cold water from the well or pump every morning or oftener, if necessary; make a frame or support—three-sided will do—and have it just high enough that the carboy, when suspended in it, with its neck down, may reach to within a half inch from the floor of the poultry house; beneath the mouth of the carboy have an earthen dish an inch or two in depth, and the water will always remain in it at the same level, running from the carboy only as fast as it is used from the dish. This is a simple thing to prepare, and is one of the very best that we have seen.

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Yankee Inquisitiveness.

A newspaper correspondent tells the following good story:

I have just come across an anecdote of a notable man in this place, which I think will look well in print, and deserves to go "the rounds" of the press. Hon. Duncan C. Pell, who was lieutenant-governor of this state, last year, was a man of considerable eccentricity of character—a whole-souled, good-hearted individual, but decidedly "odd" in many respects. Nothing so much disturbed his equanimity as for persons to exhibit a curious disposition and attempt to know more of his affairs than he chose to tell. Many years ago, Mr. Pell was about to erect a large fence around one of his lots in the city, and, in order to save himself from the daily interrogatories which he knew would be made by his neighbors and passors-by, he had a sign painted, on which he displayed all the information in regard to the fence which he fancied could possibly be desired or demanded. He narrated concisely the following facts: Who was the owner of the land; why he fenced it in; how much lumber the fence was to contain; where he bought it, and how much a foot he paid for it; the quantity of nails to be used; the name of the builder, and the exact amount of land to be inclosed. Self-satisfied that he had answered all the questions that could be asked, Mr. Pell was quite happy at the idea that he had freed himself entirely from impertinent inquiries. But one night, or rather very early on a disagreeable morning, Mr. Pell was awakened from a deep sleep by a loud knocking at his front door. The call appeared to be so urgent that Mr. Pell thrust his head out of the window and demanded, in no gentle tone,—

"What in the——was the matter?"

Standing, shivering, in his *only* garment, Mr. Pell held the following colloquy with the intruder:

"Does Mr. Pell live here?"

"Yes. What do you want?"

"Mr. Duncan C. Pell?"

"Yes; Duncan C. Pell."

"Is it Mr. Pell who is building the fence on Mary Street?"

"Yes, yes, certainly. What of it!"

"Well, Mr. Duncan C. Pell, *do you intend to paint that fence, or will you whitewash it?*"

The answer and the window went down together, and Mr. Pell retired to bed, satisfied that there could be no escape from genuine Yankee inquisitiveness.

Not Another Brick.

It is not often that we find hasty people willing to make *amende honorable*, as was the individual mentioned in the following anecdote. A punctilious regard for the truth is highly to be commended, and below we find a nice sense of honor on one side, with a still nicer nicety on the other."

A man said of a virago with a loud, masculine voice: "Confound that woman's throttle! her voice will reach the fifth story of my house."

The woman, hearing of the remark, insisted that her husband should call on the man, and demand either a retraction or an apology, and, if the man would do neither, the husband was to chastise him.

Husband—"Sir, I am informed that you say my wife's voice is so loud and masculine it will reach the fifth story of any building. Did you or did you not make that scandalous assertion?" (Holding a whip significantly in view.)

Man—"Well, my dear sir, I can't say positively. I might, upon the impulse at the moment, and rather think I did say five stories. Perhaps it is an exaggeration. It is pushing the thing pretty strong, I admit. I am willing, sir, now that I am cooler, to take off one story, but not another brick."

A cockney riding into Dublin saw three statues on one of the public buildings, and asked the driver of the cab who they were? It was a very stormy day, and the driver said, "Sure and they're the twelve apostles!" "The twelve apostles!" cried the other, "where are the other nine?" "And don't you think," said he," "they've more sinse than to be out in such murtherin weather as this?"

"A young friend of the editor of *The Wisconsin Chief*, who spent eight months in Andersonville, made the remark that he used to wonder, as they sat there day after day, "whether they were still on the earth or had died and gone to hell."

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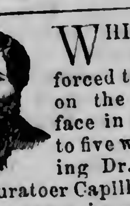

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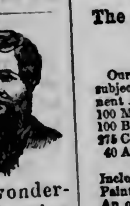

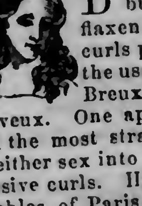

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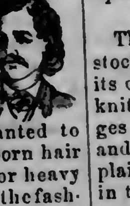

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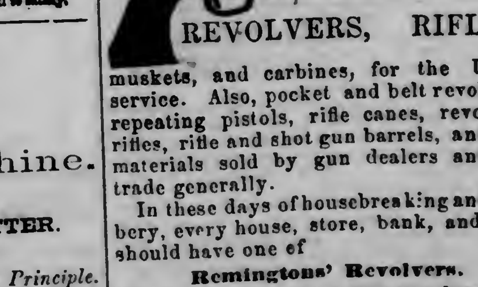

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THE RIVER.—The water is gradually on the decline, and the probability is that we shall have to depend entirely on the small boats. Hastings is again about the head of navigation.

THE READING.—Mr. R. C. SPENCER gave his reading at Teutonia Hall on Friday night, agreeably to programme. The attendance, though not large, was good, and comprised some of our best citizens. For a young man, without professional experience, he did remarkably well. We believe he intends repeating it in the neighboring towns.

NEW STORE.—Messrs. MARX & MAYER, of Laporte, Ind., are filling in with a large and choice stock of clothing, furnishing goods, hats and caps, boots and shoes, etc., etc., in the storeroom of Mr. WILLSON, Exchange Block. They are also agents for the Laporte woolen mills, and will keep a full assortment of blankets, flannels, etc. constantly on hand. After they are fairly settled in their new quarters they will be ready to receive calls from the public.

A SHARP TRANSACTION.—On Wednesday last a woman calling herself S. M. WILSON presented a draft on New York for $80.25 at the Merchants' National Bank, of this city, which, after some hesitation, was paid. Soon afterwards it was accidently discovered to be good for only $8.25, a y having been ingeniously added to the eight, and a cypher in the margin. She was followed to Prescott and compelled to disgorge. The alteration was evidently done by an adept, and was well calculated to deceive. She appears to be traveling in this manner, and it will be well to give her a wide berth.

PERSONAL.—W. R. HUBBS, esq., returned to this city on Monday from a visit to his old home in New York. We understand that he enjoyed himself hugely, yet, nevertheless, notwithstanding, was not sorry to settle back at his quarters in the express office again.

J. C. NORTON, esq., first clerk of the good ship *Phil. Sheridan*, was in town several days this week. We, in common with his numerous friends, rejoice at his promotion, and venture to say that he will make a most popular and efficient officer.

C. H. VAN DOREN, esq., secretary and treasurer of the Garden City File Company, of Chicago, is making a lengthy visit with us, to the great detriment of prairie chickens, ducks, and other game. CHARLEY is a good boy, and holds a gun to kill.

LOCAL NOTICES.

By calling at Newman's you will find a large variety to select from, and fair prices. Remember the place, in Union Block, and give him a call. It will pay to do so.

Macomber is about getting up a grand ball at Edison Hall, to come off on the 10th of October, at which time he will distribute $1,200 in prizes to the ticketholders. This is a capital place to invest $2 50, and every thing warranted to be done fair and square.

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WOOD, green, per cord,	4 25a4 50
WOOD, dry, do	5 50a6 00
SALT, fine, per bbl.	3 75a4 00
SALT, solar, do	4
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PORK, salt, per lb,	15a20
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APPLES, dried, per lb.	25
PEACHES. dried. do	30a35
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SUGARS, dark brown ℔ lb.	11
SUGARS, fair do do	13a14
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ORDINANCE NO. 59.—AN ORDINANCE in relation to gift enterprises and gift concerts.

The city council of the city of Hastings do ordain:

Sec. 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person to offer for sale in this city any watches, jewlery, or merchandise of whatever description, in the manner commonly known as gift enterprises or gift concerts, without first having obtained a license for that purpose.

Sec. 2. Any person, upon paying to the city marshal the sum of twenty-five dollars, and filing with the city clerk a receipt therefor, shall receive a written license issued and signed by said clerk under the seal of the city to sell as mentioned in the last section.

Sec. 3. Any person or persons violating or selling without first obtaining a license as hereinbefore provided shall, upon conviction, for each offense pay a fine not exceeding fifty dollars.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication in the official paper of the city.

Approved Aug. 18th, 1866.
J. E. FINCH, Mayor.
J. A. MORTON, City Clerk. 19-2w

ORDINANCE NO. 58.—AN ORDINANCE relating to billiard tables, pigeon hole tables, bagatelle tables, and bowling alleys—and to repeal ordinance No. 25.

The council of the city of Hastings do ordain:

Sec. 1. No person shall keep in this city any public billiard room, pigeon hole table, bagatelle table, or bowling alley where or wherein such person shall permit a game of billiards, pigeon hole, bagatelle, or ten pins to be played unless such person shall first obtain a license as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Any person upon payment to the city treasurer of the sum of twenty dollars for each and every billiard table, so kept, and the sum of five for each and every pigeon hole or bagatelle table so kept, and the sum of ten for each and every ten pin alley so kept, shall receive from the clerk a license in writing, not transferable, which shall be countersigned by the mayor, to keep such billiard table, pigeon hole, or bagatelle table, or ten pin alley in the room or place designated in said license for the term of one year from the first day of June next preceding the date of said license.

Sec. 3. Any person violating this ordinance, shall upon conviction, pay a fine of twenty-five dollars for each day that said billiard table, pigeon hole or bagatelle table, or bowling saloon is so kept without first obtaining said license.

Sec. 4. Ordinance No. 25 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication in the official paper of this city.

Approved Aug. 18th, 1866.
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Our goods are bought direct from manufacturers, and will be sold at close figures for cash.

Orders solicited, which will be promptly and carefully attended to.

Cash paid for hides and pelts. 17—tf

INDEPENDENT LINE.

The new and swift sailing steamer

CHIPPEWA,

H. H. HEERMAN, Master,

will make tri-weekly trips between St. Paul and La Crosse, with a tariff of rates fifty per cent less than by any other line. Her time to and from Hastings will be as follows:

DOWN.	UP.
Tuesday, 1 P. M.	Tuesday, 5 A. M.
Thursday, "	Thursday, "
Saturday, "	Saturday, "

For freight or passage apply on board or to SMITH & HOWES, Agents
18-tf

FINE TOILET SOAPS, OF THE BEST brands for sale at DIMOND's soap factory.

FAMILY SOAPS, AS GOOD AS ANY in the market, for sale at wholesale at DIMOND's soap factory.

SOFT SOAP FOR SALE BY THE BARrel, gallon, or quart at DIMOND's soap factory.

GREASE WANTED.—I WANT ALL THE soap grease I can get, for which I will pay the highest price in lard or soft soap at the factory on the prairie, west of the Hastings House.
10-tf A. S. DIMOND.

THE MASON & HAMLIN CABINET ORgans, forty different styles, adapted to sacred and secular music, for $80 to $600 each. Fifty-one gold or silver medals or other first premiums awarded them. Illustrated catalogues free. Address, Mason & Hamlin, Boston, or Mason Brothers, New York. 29-1y

H. O. MOWERS, Surgeon Dentist, Hastings,

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. AULTMAN & Co's "SWEEPSTAKES."

THE ONLY GENUINE

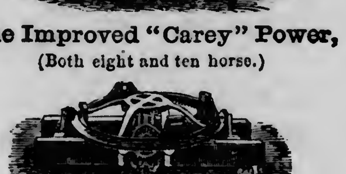
"SWEEPSTAKES"

THRESHING MACHINE.

C. AULTMAN, Manufacturer, Canton, Ohio. | HENRY H. TAYLOR, Gen'l Western Ag't, Chicago, Ill.

TWO STYLES OF HORSE POWERS.

The Improved "Carey" Power,
(Both eight and ten horse.)



THE "COMPENSATING" POWER,
(Both eight and ten horse.)

A laudable ambition exists among threshers to "own the best machine in the neighborhood." Nothing is more disagreeable to them than to have farmers complain that their work is not properly done, or to lose valuable time by reason of breakages, and they can not be too careful in selecting a machine.

The Sweepstakes is the accredited head of the Threshing Machine family, and its superior strength, durability, simplicity, ease of draft, style of finish, and capacity for threshing and cleaning grain faster and better than any other in the world are acknowledged.

The great reputation achieved by this favorite machine has led several unscrupulous manufacturers, and numerous agents, to attach the name "SWEEPSTAKES," in one way and another, to their machines and advertisements to mislead and deceive.

This is the essence of meanness—down right piracy, and sailing under false colors. To avoid the counterfeit, see that every machine has the card, "C. AULTMAN & CO., MANUFACTURERS *Canton, Ohio*," in gilt letters, conspicuously on both sides of the Separator.

The Genuine Sweepstakes enables the thresher to pick his customers, seldom stops for repairs, lasts much longer than others, saves much grumbling and vexation, does the same amount of work with less labor, and enables him to select the best and most profitable jobs.

The farmers give it a preference, and often an extra price per bushel, because it threshes clean from the heads, separates perfectly from the straw, cleans fit for market without waste, saves all the grain, does its work with the utmost speed, safety and economy, and does not keep a gang of men and teams about them on expense.

The elegant "Patent Pivot Side Gear" is to be found only on the SWEEPSTAKES.

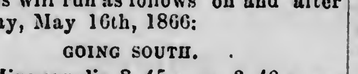
Our "Patent Cleaning Apparatus" enables the operator to control the direction of the blast, and position of the seives, and clean either heavy or light grain, without waste, as fast as it can be threshed,—the chaff and dirt being separate from the grain *before it strikes the seive at all.*

Separators, Horse Powers, Straw Stackers, Gears or Jacks, sold separately, when desired. A written warranty delivered with every machine. The "SWEEPSTAKES" is usualy a very scarce article after harvest, and parties should *order early.*

Call or send and get a pamphlet circular giving a full description and particulars, together with numerous certificates, and the names and residence of over three thousand persons who have bought and used the SWEEPSTAKES in Illinois, Iowa Minnesota, Wisconsin, and ...

GARDNER & MELOY, Agents.
Hastings, June 19, 1866. 10—3m

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT, 1866.



MINN. CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Two Daily Trains Each Way.

Trains will run as follows on and after Thursday, May 16th, 1866:

GOING SOUTH.

Leave Minneapolis	8.45 a. m.	3.40 p. m.
Leave Mendota	9.40 a. m.	4.45 p. m.
Arrive Faribault	12.50 p. m.	8.45 p. m.

GOING NORTH.

Leave Faribault	1.40 p. m.	6.00 a. m.
Leave Mendota	5.05 p. m.	10.00 a. m.
Arrive Minneapolis	5.45 p. m.	10.40 a. m.

Trains going north will not stop at Fort Snelling.

The morning train going south and the evening train going north will not stop at Wescott or Castle Rock. All other trains will stop at Minnehaha, Fort Snelling, Wescott, and Castle Rock on signal.

Passengers leaving Faribault at 6 a. m. and Minneapolis at 8.45 a. m. connect with the 10.30 a. m. boat from St. Paul. Passengers from Faribault at 1.40 p. m. and Minneapolis at 3.40 p. m. connect with the 6 p. m. boat from St. Paul. Fare from Minneapolis to St. Paul as low as by any other route, and omnibus ride at Minneapolis saved. Tickets for sale at the railway company's depot in Minneapolis, and at the ticket office of the North-Western Union Packet Company, on the levee, St. Paul.

Pleasure and picnic parties can leave Minneapolis at 8.45 a. m. and 3.40 p. m. spend an hour at Minnehaha, and take the return train, arriving in Minneapolis at 10.40 a. m. and 5.45 p. m.

Persons desiring to visit the interior of the state on their return east can leave Minneapolis or St Paul in the morning, and arrive in Winona at noon next day, or can leave St. Paul or Minneapolis in the afternoon and arrive at Winona on the evening of the next day, connecting with the boat for La Crosse and points east. This line passes through the heart of the grain growing district of Minnesota, and is made up of one hundred and twenty miles of railway, divided by only forty miles of stage route over splendid natural roads. A first class line of four horse coaches is run daily by the Minnesota Stage Company between the railroad termini at Kasson and Faribault. Fare from St. Paul or Minneapolis to La Crosse, $11.75. Tickets for sale at the depot of the railway company in Minneapolis, and of the Minnesota stage company in St. Paul.

D. C. SHEPARD,
General Superintendent.
Minneapolis, May 10, 1866. 11-tf

Irving Todd,

Versicherungs-Agent.

Hastings, Feb. 6, 1866. 43—tf

CHARLES B. LOWELL.

Civil Engineer, and County Surveyor of Dakota County. Office in Gardner's stone block, corner Sibley Street and Levee.
Hastings, March 20, 1865. 51—tf

Irving Todd's

Accidenz-Druckerei.

MISCELLANEOUS.

GOLD AND SILVER.

Financial crisis compel us to sell in the course of six months

$250,000 —— $250,000

worth of

Watches, Clocks, Chains, Diamond Rings, Pianoes, Melodeons, Sewing Machines, Silver Ware, etc.

All to be disposed of at

One Dollar Each

Without regard to value! And not to be paid for until you know what you are to receive. After receiving the article, if it does not please you, you can return it and your money will be refunded.

The stock comprises amongst other articles, splendid Clocks, Gold and Silver Watches, Rings set with Diamonds, Rubies, Pearls, Garnet and other Stones, (solitaire and in clusters), ladies sets of Jewelry, comprising Pins and Ear Rings of the most fashionable styles, set in Precious Stones of every variety, together with a large assortment of Gold and Enamelled and Pearl Sets, Gold Studs and Sleeve Buttons of the most beautiful patterns, Gents Bosom and Scarf Pins, and an endless variety of Bracelets, Chains, Musical Boxes, Head-dresses, Combs, Charms, etc.

In consequence of the great stagnation of trade in the manufacturing districts of France and England, a large quantity of valuable Jewelry, originally intended for European market, has been sent off for sale in this country, and must be sold at any sacrifice! Under these circumstances the "Watch & Gold Jewelry Co." have resolved upon

AN APPORTIONMENT

subject to the following regulations:

Certificates of the various articles are first put into envelopes, sealed up and mixed; and when ordered, are taken out without regard to choice, and sent by mail, thus giving all a fair chance. On receipt of the certificate, you will see what you are to have, and then it is at your option to send the dollar and take the article or not. Purchasers may thus obtain a piano, melodeon, sewing machine, gold watch, diamond ring, or any set of jewelry on our list for one dollar. Send 25 cents for a certificate. In all transactions by mail, we shall charge for forwarding the certificates, paying postage, and doing the business 25 cents each, which must be enclosed when the certificate is sent for.

AGENTS.—We want agents in every town and county in the country, and those acting as such will be allowed ten cents on every certificate ordered by them provided their remittance amount to $1. Agents will collect 25 cents for every certificate, and remit 15 cents to us, either in cash or postage stamps. Agents remitting at once $30 will be entitled to a beautiful silver watch, and also 200 certificates.

Please write your name, town, county, and state plainly, and address all orders to
WATCH AND GOLD JEWELRY COMPANY,
51-6m 36 Liberty St., New York.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE NORTH AMERICAN

PRIZE CONCERT

will positively be given at

WABASH AVENUE RINK, CHICAGO, ILL., AUG. 22, 1866.

The first prize concert to be given in the United States. No postponement.

Two hundred and fifty thousand valuable prices, valued at Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, will be presented to ticket holders, including

$100,000 In Greenbacks.

The time rapidly approaches, and the books will be closed the 22d day of August.

With the help of our numerous agents, located all over the United States, we have reason to believe that every ticket will be sold before the day designated.

Number of tickets issued, 500,000. Price $1.00 each.

This is the greatest inducement ever offered to the people of the United States.

EVERY OTHER TICKET DRAWS A PRIZE.

1	Gift in Greenbacks		$30,000
1	do	do	10,000
1	do	do	5,000
1	do	do	4,000
1	do	do	3,000
1	do	do	2,000
20	do	do $1,000 each	20,000
20	do	do 500 do	10,000
20	do	70 100 do	2,000
20	do	do 50 do	1,000
800	do	do 10 do	1,000
1,000	do	do 5 do	5,000
1	do	residence in Chicago	5,000
10	do	city lots in Chicago, $500 each	5,000
40	do	pianos, $500 each	20,000
20	do	melodeons, $150 each	3,000
100	do	family bibles, $20 each	2,000
200	do	gold watches, $150 each	30,000
200	do	do do $100 each	20,000
200	do	American silver watches, $65 each	13,000
300	do	lever hunting silver watches, $3 each	12,000
1,000		set silver plated tea spoons, $3 each	3,000
1,000		call bells, $3 each	3,000
1,000		silver plated fruit knives, $2 each	2,000
2,000		gold pens in boxes, $400 each	8,000
2,000		photograph albums, $5 each	10,000
2,000		gold pen holders, $5 each	10,000
238,043		gifts, worth	238,043

The drawing will take place after the concert, where 20,000 persons can witness it. A committee will be appointed by the audience to take charge of the same.

All agents and purchasers will be supplied with a correct list of the drawing as soon as published.

Tickets are for sale at the principal news agencies, hotels, and book stores, and at our office, 105 Randolph Street. Price of tickets one dollar each, sent by mail on receipt of price and three cent stamp for return postage.

Great inducements are offered to agents, who are wanted everywhere. Write for our terms to agents at once.

SPECIAL TERMS OR CLUB RATES.

5 tickets to one address for	$4 50
10 " " " "	9 00
20 " " " "	17 50
30 " " " "	26 25
40 " " " "	30 00
50 " " " "	43 51

In every case send the name of each subscriber and their post office address with town, county, and state in full. Money by draft, post office order, express, or in registered letters, may be sent at our risk.

REFERENCES.—Lot C. Whitford, wholesale paper dealer, Chicago. J. B. Lippincott & Co., publishers, Philadelphia, Pa. M. T. Quimby & Co., wholesale jewellers, Chicago. John E. Potter & Co., publishers, Philadelphia. James L. Harlem, importer, New York. Van Valkenburg & Co., importers, New York. S. B. Cobb, Chicago. Ira Holmes, cashier third national bank, Chicago. Crosby & Ainsworth, publishers, Boston, Mass.

A. A. KELLEY & Co.,
105 Randolph Street, Chicago.
P. O. DRAWER, 1424. 17-4w

SALTZ & WEYDT,

Painters and Glaziers.

Painting and Graining, in all its branches, promptly and neatly executed. Orders from the country attended to on short

MISCELLANEOUS.

POSTPONEMENT.

UNION NATIONAL

GIFT CONCERT

to be given at

SMITH & NIXON'S HALL, Chicago,

August 30th, 1866.

The drawing will positively take place at the above date.

100,000 SPLENDID GIFTS

valued at $990,000, will be presented to the ticket-holders. Number of tickets issued 1,000,000. Price one dollar each.

Persons contemplating purchasing tickets in any of the many enterprises of the kind, will do well to examine the following;

$50,000 in real estate.
$30,000 in greenbacks.
10 $10,000 prizes
10 $5,000 prizes.
5 $2,000 prizes.
3 large farms, valued at $22,200
50 pianos, each $800.
200 sewing machines, each $100.
1,000 silk dress patterns, each $65.
98,725 other prizes.

ALL FOR ONE DOLLAR EACH.

For further particulars send for circulars.

Special Terms, or Club Rates.

Any party procuring a club of five or more names for tickets and forwarding us the money for the same, will be allowed the following commission, viz. We will send

5 Tickets to one address for	$4 50
10 " " "	9 00
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40 " " "	35 00
50 " " "	43 50
100 " " "	85 00

In every case send the name of each subscriber and their post office address, with town, county, and state in full. Money by draft, post-office order, express, or in registered letters, may be sent at our risk. All communications should be addressed to BRYAN, ROSBROOK, & Co., 100 Madison St., Chicago, Ill.
P. O. Drawer 5927.

GENERAL AGENTS.

C. Thacher, publisher, etc., 13 Court Street, Boston, Mass.

Bernard & Butler, 30 West 4th Street, Cincinnati, O.

Burk & Barth, booksellers, etc., Union R. R. Depot, Indianapolis, Ind.

Fisher & Bros., music store, 117 Main Street, Dayton, O.

F. Nolen & Co., Wilmington, Del.

WANTED.

General agents for cities, towns, and districts, who can appoint good, active sub-agents, also, local agents in small towns. Send references with application.

As a further inducement to our agents and friends to act energetically and promptly we offer a premium of one hundred dollars, irrespective of all commissions, to our most successful agent. And, to getter up of the largest private club, a premium of twenty five dollars.

REFERENCES.

The Hon. Robert C. Kirk, O. The Hon. Henry S. Sanford, Conn. Ex-Gov. Randall, Wis. The Hon. James S. Pike, Me. The Hon. P. G. Van Winkle, West Va. The Hon. G. H. Williams, Oregon. Gen. H. J. Kilpatrick, N. J. The Hon. A. P. Hovey, Ind. L. Holinberg, esq., Topeka, Kansas. John P. Hamlin, esq., Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Henry Borrette, M. D., Nevada City. Chas. Frederick Ablet, esq., Idaho: and any of the prominent business men in Chicago, of our acquaintance. 14-7w

GOLD AND SILVER.

AWFUL SACRIFICE!

BUT

Bankruptcy Avoided!

EXTRAORDINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

2,000,000 dollars worth of gold and silver watches, splendid jewelry, French clocks, diamond rings, pianos, melodeons, silver ware, etc., etc. to be disposed of at two dollars, each article, without regard to value.

Grand International Meeting of Manufacturers of Watches and Jewelry.

The following has been resolved, that in consequence of the great stagnation of trade, and in order to relieve from pecuniary embarrassments occasioned by a distressing war and to avoid

BANKRUPTCY,

$2,000,000 worth of goods from their stock, must be sold in the course of six month, at

ANY SACRIFICE,

and for that purpose, they have unanimously elected

DE TREY & CO.,

34 Liberty Street,

As their Exclusive Agents.

As a preliminary they would remark that they manufacture and sell no brass watches or imitation of jewelry.

All are warranted Gold of the finest Workmanship.

The articles to sell at $2 each, no matter how costly it may be, consist of splendid hunting case gold and silver watches, French clocks, rings set with diamonds, rubies, pearls, and other precious stones (solitaire and in clusters), ladies sets of jewelry comprising pins and ear-rings of the most fashionable and recherche style gold, and enameled bracelets, studs and sleve buttons, chains of all descriptions, etc., etc., silver ware (extra plated), comprising castors, butter dish, beautifully chased and engraved, table and tea spoons, goblets, etc., etc., pianos, melodeons, and sewing machines of the best makers.

The price of each article varying from six to eight hundred dollars.

HOW WE SHALL PROCEED.

We have adopted the plan of sale now so popular of charging a uniform price, and this price will invariably be $2 for each article regardless of value. The expenses of conducting our agency are paid by the sale of certificates, or sold at fifty cents each or 5 for $2.00, and each certificate will show the holder the particular article he or she is entitled to on payment of an additional $2.00.

THE EXPENSES OF FREIGHT AND PACKING PIANOS OR SEWING MACHINES WILL BE PAID BY THE PARTIES WHO ARE ENTITLED TO THEM.

In every part of the United States and Provinces and to all such very liberal inducements will be offered, and on application a circular of terms will be forwarded. We prefer money sent in post-office orders where they can be obtained or by bank drafts to our order. Please write your name, town, county, and state plainly and

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